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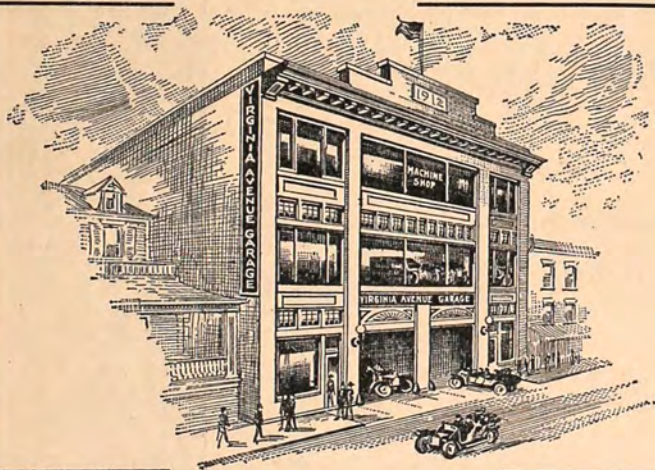
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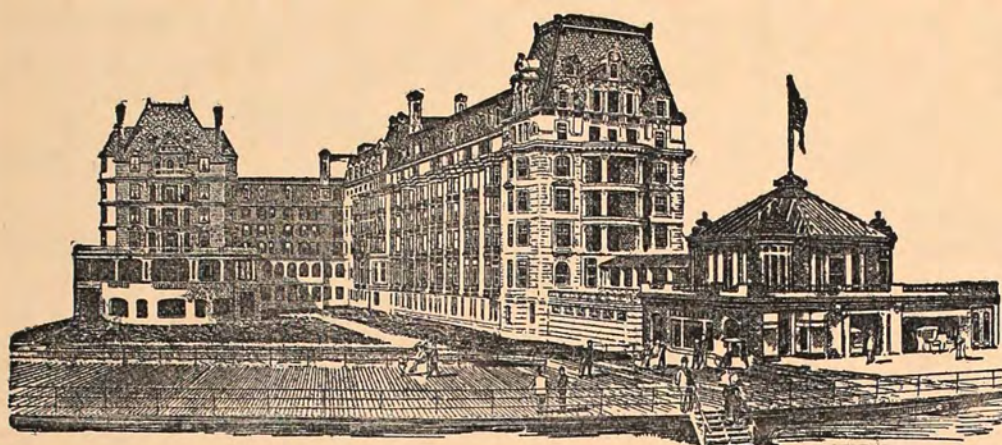
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Notes on the Convention

Only once a year is the whole Diocese gathered together, in the persons of its clergy and representatives, to praise God in the great way of His own ordering. It is this which gives the opening service of the Convention its chief significance. No pains ought to be spared to make it worthy of its great occasion. It is certainly the most important of all Convention happenings. To choose to be absent from this service, rather than from a business session, or, indeed, from all the business sessions, of the Convention, would seem to reverse God's scale of values, and to refuse God's grace, without which we cannot hope to take principal counsel for His Church. And yet less than half the delegates were present. Many of them gathered in the vestibules, as the service neared its end, and their talking was plainly audible within the church, to the great hindrance of worship. Surely this should not occur again.

The singing was excellent, strong in volume, and resonant in tone. Great credit is due to the Rev. Mr. Bispham, who was in charge, and to the clergy and students of the Divinity School, who made up the choir, and who had given much time to rehearsal.

There are probably few, if any, members of the Convention who would seriously urge that a church building is a suitable or convenient place of meeting. It is not only that the business of a Convention means the profanation of a sanctuary. That is almost necessarily involved, and to many seems the strongest argument.

But it is also true that a convention, meeting in a church, is seriously hampered and restricted. Hearing is very difficult, except when the speakers have exceptionally good and well-trained voices. Probably many who not only have the right to speak, but who also have important things to say, refrain from speaking from motives of reverence. The total number of those who took part in the days' debates this year will be found very inconsiderable, if reckoned up. Beside all this, a large body of men, gathered for long-continued discussion of important matters, needs relaxation and relief from tension. Applause and laughter have their appropriate place. They clear the air; put people in good humor, and help business along. They certainly are not decent in a church, but it is not fair for a Convention to be entirely cut off from them.

It is to be hoped that the committee in charge of this whole matter will be able to suggest a plan next year by which the Convention, after the opening service, shall adjourn to a hall, large enough for comfort, and well suited for its purposes.

A good deal was done in the way of missionary progress. The adoption of the new canon on Missionary Organization was the most important single item. If the other eleven Dioceses in the Third Department follow our lead in adopting this same canon, and if our own parishes will make an honest effort to put it into effect, a very long forward step will have been taken. The plan seems not less full of practical wisdom than of courageous faith. It is, indeed, within the possibilities

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that, if we are as good as our word, or rather as our votes, we shall before long be raising our annual apportionment almost automatically, without recourse to fervent appeals in torrid weather.

Next should be noticed the admirable report of the Special Committee on Parochial Apportionments. A well-deserved tribute was paid to the great ability and pains-taking labor of the committee. The details need not be explained here. The plan proposed met the cordial approval of nearly everybody, and may be trusted to commend itself.

The missionary addresses given in the Convention were all of them memorable. Dr. Bratenahl, the secretary of the department, spoke with fine force and convincing clearness of the pressing claims, and the well-nigh crushing responsibilities of the missionary situation at home and abroad. He is sure to meet the warmest kind of welcome when he visits us next year. We are singularly blessed in having him as leader. Mr. Bonsall, in his direct personal appeal to laymen to respond to what the Church rightfully expects of them; Dean Taitt, in his analysis of the rapidly changing and increasing religious needs of country districts; Mr. Roland Morris in his fine emphasis on the pre-eminence of spiritual ministry in city "social service;" all these made deep impressions, and helped the Convention to realize the true purpose and meaning of its meeting.

It is a matter of real regret that the important and well-considered plan for the improvement of our Diocesan missionary machinery, presented by a very competent committee of our Board of Missions, was, on the third day of the Convention, put over for consideration till next year. It is open to question whether the other business, which made this action necessary, was really of superior importance. Certainly we are much in need of a more efficient administrative method in Diocesan mission work, especially in the city. We run the risk of a really serious loss of opportunity if we delay our efforts at reform. The problem can certainly be solved, at least in part. We should do double work at it next year.

The new canon creating a Commission on Church Buildings in the Diocese, passed without opposition.

Much interest has been shown in this matter, especially outside the Convention. The Dioceses of Newark, New Jersey, and Bethlehem have similar commissions, and report well of their work. There is good hope that our own commission will do much for us, not only in supervising the architecture and planning of mission churches and buildings, but in giving skilled

and competent advice to vestries of parishes contemplating the building or renovating of churches or parish houses. The best architects of Philadelphia have enthusiastically expressed their approval and willingness to help.

It is hard to summarize the Convention as a whole. Nothing stands out very prominently in result, either as failure or achievement. If there was some restlessness and tensivity of feeling, there was, on the other hand, a notable degree of kindliness and generosity. If there was a certain element of log-rolling—a suspicion of a machine in operation—this was fairly balanced by genuine spontaneity and freedom. As some one put it, "no good cause was damaged; some good ends were served." Undoubtedly many of the important things were slurred or overlooked. But there was quick response waiting for what was best when it was fairly stated and well put. On the whole, we may be of good courage and press onward, reporting progress and rejoicing in comfort.

The Net Results

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The Editors of THE CHURCH NEWS wish to point out, courteously but emphatically, that there is a distinction between the Business Manager and themselves. Our readers and advertisers in very many cases overlook this fact, and address to the editors much mail matter that does not belong to their department. The inevitable result is delay, sometimes very considerable delay, in acknowledging and dealing with the business correspondence of the paper. A single mail recently brought us:

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The Divinity School

We cannot pass over in silence that portion of Bishop Rhinelander's address which dealt with the Divinity School in Philadelphia. Like some other Church institutions within this Diocese the Divinity School has had less recognition and support for a generation or more than it received in its early days. There is always a tendency, when such an institution is once founded, to let it shift for itself. Those who were eager over the early plans and who wrought enthusiastically at the foundation, pass to their eternal reward; and too often their special interests are not inherited by the next generation of Church people. The Divinity School has had a faithful and interested Board during all these years; but it has often been said, and perhaps with some reason, that few Church people in the Diocese, except those thus officially connected with the School, have known much more about it than that it existed. We rejoice that the Bishop called such emphatic attention to the School, and we hope his words will be widely read and seriously weighed.

During all these quiet years the work of the School has gone forward strongly. The number of its students has increased: this year it graduates the largest class in thirty-six years; there is an unusually large number of applications for the entering class of next year, almost entirely from men who hold the college degree of A.B.; and it is feared that some applications may have to be declined for the sole reason of lack of room. Meanwhile the school has also taken a leading position among the seminaries of the Church in its efforts to promote the higher theological learning. It has established and developed post-graduate courses, and has upon its roll at the present time no less than thirty-eight men in orders pursuing work for the degrees of Bachelor and Doctor of Divinity. The services of the School in this particular matter of the promotion of higher theological learning have won wide recognition in the Church at large. We had the privilege of reading, not long since, a letter written by a professor in a sister seminary to one of the professors in this School, in which these words were used: "Your seminary has led the way in providing for the higher learning of the clergy, and deserves to be recognized and encouraged by ample provision for its needs."

The plain fact is that Pennsylvania and Philadelphia have good reason to be proud of the Divinity School in Philadelphia. We trust the Bishop's words may prove prophetic of a yet stronger and more useful future: an institution so enlarged and developed that our pride and confidence may have yet greater justification.

Social Service

One report presented at the recent Convention received scant attention, and yet was in itself of great importance. We allude to that of the Diocesan Commission on Social Service. We print portions of this report on page 15 of this number of *THE CHURCH NEWS*; and we strongly urge our readers to give it their careful consideration.

We wish especially to emphasize that section of the report which deals with the question of marriage. So far as our knowledge goes the first adoption of the rule there referred to was by clergy of our own Church: Dean Sumner and his colleagues of the Cathedral in Chicago. Their action drew emphatic attention to a most vital problem: it has been copied elsewhere, most notably perhaps by the Diocese of Pittsburgh. At its Convention, held a week later than our own, a report was "presented by the Social Service Commission, recommending that rectors refuse to perform marriage ceremonies unless both candidates have certificates of physical and mental health from a reputable physician." This report, we quote from a telegram in the daily papers, "was unanimously adopted."

The significance of such a stand as this does not lie in its effect upon the number of marriages: there could probably be no such check unless by state enactments, or by an iron-clad agreement entered into by all "Ministers of the Gospel" and all "Justices of the Peace." It lies rather in the solemn warning thus publicly given that the Church of Christ cannot look lightly upon the suffering and disease that is bred by sin—or upon the sin that breeds it. Plain speaking and courageous action are most urgently needed; and we hope the time may soon come when this Diocese of ours, instead of burying a similar recommendation from its Social Service Commission, will give the whole matter the sober and conscientious consideration which it so greatly demands.

And we cannot but protest at the slight attention that our Convention has hitherto given to all those kindred problems commonly classified under the heading of the "Social Question." There are few so blind as not to realize that the Church of to-day must

The Church and Society

deal not with individuals only but with society. This has become an axiom of our thinking. We see clearly that one great need for the salvation of the individual is the improvement of his environment. We see clearly that it is all but impossible for the individua

to make a firm stand against dishonest practices which are allowed if not approved by the community of which he is a member. We grant that it is part, and a most important part of the Church's work, by teaching, example and effort to fight for the redemption of the world. Yet in this strong Diocese of ours we are content to appoint an admirable Commission to be our leaders and spokesmen, and when they speak to us to lend unwilling ears for a moment to their words, and then to turn eagerly to the more thrilling question of a change in the wording of a canon, or the method by which to calculate our parochial apportionments. This surely is to pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and to leave undone the weightier matters of the law,—judgment, and mercy, and faith; and we need the sharp reminder: "these ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

Yet our own prophets are not without honor in other Dioceses than our own. One member of our Diocesan Commission was the speaker in May before the Church Club of the Diocese of Harrisburg on Social Service. The General Theological Seminary is planning a special course of six lectures on this topic for next winter, and the two lecturers asked to divide the duty between them are both members of the Social Service Commission of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

We do not wish to speak with undue severity. The Convention did act, promptly and gladly, on one matter that falls within the category of Social Service. It heard and accepted by unanimous vote the resolution offered by Mr. Francis S. Lewis, assuring the city government of its support and sympathy in its fight against commercialized vice. And Mr. Lewis' reference to the fact that the publication of the important report of the Vice Commission was made possible by the prompt generosity of one of our parishes was heard with manifest delight and approval.

But we need far more than this sporadic outburst of official interest in all these matters; we need concerted action; we need to have the whole Church and its Convention solidly and forcefully back of the work which our Social Service Commission is striving to accomplish. To this end two things are of primary importance: first, that the Convention should give adequate time and interest to the report of the Commission and its discussion; and secondly, that the work of the Commission should not be hampered by its present absolute lack of funds. The Diocese of New York regards the work of its Social Service Commission as a part of its diocesan missionary work, and appropriates \$3,600 for its support. Our Commission

a year ago was granted an appropriation of \$25; this year it plucked up courage to ask for \$250, but its request did not even come to a vote.

We trust that another year these things may not be so!



The Central Missionary Committee

We print on page 14 the new missionary canon adopted by the recent Convention of the Diocese. It seems important to call attention to it and to urge the authorities of our parishes and missions to take prompt action under its provisions. The purpose of the canon is simply to make easier and more systematic our efforts to support the General Missionary work of the Church. To this end it is suggested that a Missionary Committee be appointed in each parish and mission of the Diocese to coöperate with the rector in stimulating missionary interest and in raising the parochial apportionment. Further provision is made for a Central Missionary Committee, to be composed principally of representatives from each parish and mission of the Diocese. To this Central Committee and to its Executive Committee the work hitherto carried on by the so-called "Men's Auxiliary" is to be transferred.

One step taken by the Convention renders it of particular importance that the appointments to membership in this Central Committee should be promptly considered and made. The Convention delegated to this new and representative committee the final decision on the method of apportionment. Early in the fall, therefore, the Central Committee will be called together to receive and act upon the schedule to be prepared by the special committee on parochial apportionments. It requires no argument to show that this is a matter of much moment; one that ought to be decided not by a handful of persons but by a gathering which shall contain, as it is supposed to do, one representative of each congregation. The call for this meeting is not likely to be issued until September, but we hope that all the parochial clergy will bear the matter in mind and be prepared against its issuance.



Church News Dormant

THE CHURCH NEWS endeavors not to hibernate; but for the three summer months, of July, August and September, it goes peacefully to sleep. In other words, the present issue is the last until next October.

It seems fitting to add to this announcement a brief

but hearty word of appreciation for the support that the paper has thus far received from the Diocese. Our work has not been altogether easy or free from disappointments. We do not feel that we have by any means achieved our ideal of what this Diocesan paper should be. There is room yet for improvement! But we look forward confidently—we hope not too confidently—to a second year that shall prove better than the first. Many suggestions have been made to and by us for the improvement of the paper. And it is our hope that we may be able in the October issue to announce plans for the ensuing year which may lead to the fulfilment of some of these.

Meanwhile we thank our kind friends for much help and many gracious words; and promise them our best efforts for the future!



The 129th Convention of the Diocese

It is no easy task to compress into a few columns an adequate account of so interesting and protracted a convention. Many matters were discussed, some of them of great importance, and some at great length. We hope in our resumé to omit nothing of importance and to include as little as possible of the lengthy discussion. And especially is it our purpose not to invent and publish speeches that never were made,—as was done by at least one of the great daily papers of the city in its report! Elsewhere in this issue we print the full text of two or three of the most important resolutions adopted, together with excerpts from the addresses of the Bishop and the Bishop Suffragan.

A. THE OPENING SERVICE

The Convention assembled at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, on Tuesday, May 6th, at 10 o'clock. At that hour the Holy Communion was celebrated, Bishop Garland officiating. The Epistle was read by the Rev. F. M. Taitt; the Gospel by the Rev. J. DeW. Perry, D.D. Bishop Rhinelander, in place of the sermon, delivered a charge on "The Gospel of the Church," taking as his text, Ephesians iv: 4-16. The whole service was most impressive and inspiring, and was notable for the presence of an unusually large number of deputies.

B. THE CHANGE OF NAME

Promptly at the close of the service the Convention was called to order by Bishop Rhinelander, and organized for business by the election of the Rev. C. L. Fulforth as secretary and the Rev. C. S. Lyons as assistant secretary.

At this point Mr. Francis A. Lewis asked for a suspension of the rules that he might introduce a resolution dealing with the proposed change of the name of the Church. This was granted and the preamble and resolution, which we print elsewhere, was read. In substance it simply declared that this Convention "deems any change whatsoever . . . inexpedient at this time," and requests the deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention to present the preamble and resolution as a memorial from our Convention. In speaking briefly to this resolution Mr. Lewis declared himself opposed to any proposal to give

binding instructions to our deputies on this matter, and said that he did not regard the resolution as involving any such instructions. The resolution caused less vehement debate than had been feared; and after Mr. Lewis had accepted an amendment stating that nothing in the resolution was to be interpreted as binding the deputies to any course of action, it was adopted by a vote of 130 to 53 in the clerical order, and of 93 parishes against 27.

C. THE BISHOPS' ADDRESSES

The order of the day, immediately after the noon recess, was the reading of the Bishops' addresses, both of which dealt entirely with local matters.

D. PROPORTIONATE REPRESENTATION

The most important debate in the three days' session was called out by a proposal, introduced on the second day by the Rev. D. M. Steele. This was so to amend the Constitution as to provide for proportionate representation of the parishes in the Convention. Mr. Steele argued that our present form of representation is both unfair and antiquated; unfair in that each parish in union with the Convention is entitled to three lay deputies, whether its constituency is large or small. Thus a parish of twenty or thirty communicants exercises a voting power in the lay order just as great as does a parish with a thousand or fifteen hundred communicants. If, then, the purpose of the Convention is at any time and in any degree to register the convictions of the great body of our Church people, its present machinery seems, to say the least, inadequate.

The method, moreover, is antiquated. Mr. Steele explained that he had made inquiries as to the practice in all the dioceses of the Church, and found an unmistakable trend towards some form of proportionate representation. The methods by which this is secured are various; but the principle has been increasingly approved. Of the sixty-eight dioceses of the Church no less than fifty-four have provided for proportionate representation; and our own Diocese stands alone among the five within the bounds of this state in clinging to the old arrangement of an equal vote for each parish. Mr. Steele's facts and argument made a strong impression. The proposed amendment was passed (it requires final action at the next Convention before it can become operative); and the Bishop was empowered to appoint a committee who should study the whole matter, report their findings and present a canon to carry out the provisions of the proposed constitutional amendment, a year hence. We print elsewhere the text of Mr. Steele's amendment.

E. MISSIONS

Spite of the long-drawn-out balloting for deputies to the General Convention and an unusual pressure of other business, the Convention gave much time and attention to missionary matters.

(i) At the request of the Bishop an hour was assigned, immediately after the reading of the Bishop Suffragan's address, for a "missionary rally." The speakers were the Rev. Dr. Bratenahl, Secretary of the Third Department, who dealt with the question of missions from the viewpoint of the Church at large. He dwelt on the extraordinary opportunity before us in foreign lands, and with the equally pressing question of our duty to the incoming emigrants in our own country; which latter point he emphasized by striking statistics. The Rev. Mr. Taitt spoke clearly and impressively of certain aspects of our diocesan work beyond the bounds of the city of Philadelphia, pointing out in particular

the opportunity and need of strong work where new communities were springing up around new industrial plants,—instancing especially the present situation at Eddystone, near Chester. Mr. Roland S. Morris was the final speaker, his subject being the missionary problem in the heart of the city.

(ii) The report of the Men's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was of unusual importance. This body, appointed by the Bishop annually, has for some years been in charge of the whole matter of promoting the support of the General Missionary work of the Church within the Diocese: it has calculated the "parochial apportionments;" through various "follow-up committees" it has seen to it that the amount asked from the Diocese has always been secured; and in countless other ways has stimulated the missionary spirit of the Diocese. Few probably realize how large an amount of work this Auxiliary has done, and done well. But the gist of its report this year was to recommend its own supersession. It formally recommended to the Convention a canon, suggested in substance at the last Council of the Missionary Department to which our Diocese belongs. We print this canon elsewhere in full. It provides for the appointment in each parish or mission of a Missionary Committee; and for the creation of a Central Missionary Committee for the Diocese, to be comprised of a representative from each such parochial committee. This Central Missionary Committee itself, or through its Executive Committee, is to take over all the work hitherto done by the Men's Auxiliary. The change is an important one in that it makes the body in charge of this work more distinctively representative than before. The canon as proposed was adopted.

(iii) The report of the Men's Auxiliary was followed by an appeal from Mr. E. H. Bonsall, as chairman of the "Follow-up" Committee of the Men's Auxiliary. Mr. Bonsall pointed out the great difficulty his committee is confronted with in the attempt to complete the Diocesan apportionment during July and August. He told how funds in hand for missions were sometimes overlooked, and how, in the absence of rectors and accounting wardens, there seemed sometimes no way of securing these amounts in time to count. His plea to deal with the whole matter promptly, and to prevent the anxious midsummer scramble, must have made a strong impression upon every one who believes that the business of the Church should be carried on in a business-like way.

(iv) The only missionary matter that provoked much discussion was the report of the special Committee on the method of calculating parochial apportionments. This Committee, it will be remembered, presented last year a report recommending that the receipts of parishes and missions (subject to the exemption of certain items) should be the basis of calculation in place of current expenses. The Committee was then instructed to prepare such a schedule, and also to prepare a form of financial report which should enable the returns of the several parishes and missions to be more clearly made. The Committee presented such a form of financial report; asked that this be printed and used for returns for the year ending April 30, 1913; suggested the preparation of a detailed schedule of parochial apportionments based on these returns; and recommended that this schedule should be submitted for final decision to the newly-created Central Missionary Committee at its first meeting in the autumn. The recommendations of the Committee were accepted after some debate.

(5) Much interest was expressed in the proposed changes in Canon VIII, which deals with the machinery of the Diocesan

Board of Missions. That Board had been instructed by the last Convention to weigh certain proposals for changes in that canon and to report on the same. The principal alterations which they proposed were these: (a) That the present Convocations of North and South Philadelphia should be consolidated and (b) that whereas the other Convocations have the power to choose their own executive officers and to manage their own local business, this new Convocation shall be under the control and supervision of the Board of Council of the City Mission,—with the Superintendent of the City Mission as *ex-officio* its executive officer, entitled to the designation, Dean of Philadelphia. This report, along with an unusually large number of proposed changes in this and other canons did not come before the Convention until well towards noon of the third day. Whether because the proposals seemed radical, or because of a natural unwillingness to launch on a discussion that promised to be difficult and lengthy, at that late hour, the Convention contented itself with re-committing the whole subject to the Board of Missions with instructions to report at the Convention of 1914.

F. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Of other matters acted upon, two or three deserve particular mention:

(i) A suggestion of the Bishop led to the appointment of a Diocesan Commission on Church Buildings: the aim of which is to offer to vestries and building committees, expert and disinterested advice as to architecture and art.

(ii) The Bishop Suffragan made an urgent plea for a Diocesan missionary budget, to be presented to and adopted by each Convention. Such a plan, he urged, would systematize and strengthen all our giving for those special causes for which the Diocese as a whole is responsible. A committee was authorized to consider this suggestion.

(iii) Finally, much was said by the treasurer of the Diocese and others in regard to the rapidly increasing cost of printing the Journal. And a committee was appointed charged, first, to edit all appendices to the Journal and to print only those of real importance; and secondly to compile the necessary data contained in the annual reports of parishes and missions in statistical tables—a device, it was urged, which might reduce the size of the Journal by approximately twenty-five per cent.

G. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

It remains only to give the names of those elected to the various positions filled by the Convention.

(i) **Secretary of the Convention:**
The Rev. C. L. Fulforth.

(ii) **Assistant Secretary:**
The Rev. C. S. Lyons.

(iii) **Treasurer of the Diocese:**
Mr. Ewing L. Miller.

(iv) **Registrar:**
The Rev. A. H. Hord.

(v) **Church Advocate:**
Lucius S. Landreth, Esq.

(iv) **Treasurer of the Christmas Fund:**
Mr. George Harrison Fisher.

(vii) **Standing Committee:**

The Rev. C. M. Armstrong	Mr. John E. Baird
The Rev. J. Andrews Harris, S.T.D.	Mr. Morris Earl
The Rev. E. M. Jefferys, S.T.D.	Mr. W. W. Frazier
The Rev. J. DeW. Perry, S.T.D.	Mr. L. S. Houston
The Rev. F. M. Taitt	Mr. R. Francis Wood

(viii) **Trustees of the Diocese:**

The Rev. G. C. Carter	Mr. R. C. Dayton
The Rev. J. Thompson Cole	Mr. Rowland Evans
The Rev. H. B. Wright	Mr. E. B. McCarthy

(ix) **Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:**

Mr. Robert C. Drayton	Mr. Ewing L. Miller
Mr. Francis A. Lewis	Mr. C. W. S. Packard

(x) **Trustees of the Christmas Fund:**

Mr. W. W. Frazier	Mr. C. B. Newbold
Mr. Archibald R. Montgomery	Mr. William White, Jr.

(xi) **Stewards of the Sustentation Fund:**

The Rev. John A. Goodfellow	Mr. Arthur E. Newbold
The Rev. F. W. Tomkins, S.T.D.	Mr. William H. Hirst

(xii) **Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:**

The Rev. H. B. Wright	Mr. J. Vaughan Merrick
Mr. Archibald R. Montgomery	

(xiii) **Deputies to the Missionary Council of the Third Department:**

The Rev. G. G. Bartlett	Mr. Henry Bonnell
The Rev. L. N. Caley	Mr. George R. Bower
The Rev. J. Thompson Cole	Mr. W. W. Frazier, Jr.
The Rev. J. DeW. Perry, D.D.	Dr. J. Nicholas Mitchell

(xiv) **Deputies to the General Convention:**

The Rev. W. M. Groton, S.T.D.	Mr. Rowland Evans
The Rev. J. B. Halsey	Mr. Francis A. Lewis
The Rev. J. B. Harding	Mr. Roland S. Morris
The Rev. F. W. Tomkins, S.T.D.	Mr. G. W. Pepper

(xv) **Alternate Deputies to the General Convention:**

The Rev. D. M. Steele	Mr. William Drayton
The Rev. L. C. Washburn, S.T.D.	Mr. Arthur E. Newbold

FROM BISHOP RHINELANDER'S ADDRESS**THE ITALIAN MISSION AND WORK AMONG EASTERN CHRISTIANS**

I want at this time to draw your attention especially to two missionary works in our Diocese and city, which are steadily gaining in significance and opportunity, but in which, with equal steadiness, the Diocese seems to be losing interest. I mean our work among the Italians and the work in aid of our brother Eastern Christians. It would take too long to go into any details. Suffice it to say that here are two very real and pressing problems. Hardly a week goes by without my personal contact with one or both of them. The changes in our Missionary Canon which are to be presented to you for action at this Convention would, I believe, tend in the long run to a greater efficiency of administration in our work in these two fields as well as others. This is much needed and will be a great help. But, on the other hand, we are very badly off for money. Funds have been raised so far year by year by a voluntary board or commission. There is no certainty as to how much we shall have, consequently it is impossible to develop any well-considered plans. The work is carried on from hand to mouth. I do

not think this is worthy of our Diocese nor really what any of us actually desire. I think we must very soon face the question seriously (to which the Bishop Suffragan will also refer in his address) of an inclusive missionary budget to be voted annually by the Convention, and to include adequate provision for all those well-established missionary efforts which the Diocese as a whole is ready and anxious to undertake and carry forward. I wish the Laymen, especially, would acquaint themselves with the actual conditions in our city among the Italians and the Eastern Christians. I wish we had some better system of publicity. I am hoping it may be possible to provide for this in the future, partly at least, by public missionary meetings in behalf of Diocesan work. Meanwhile, I cannot but appeal to you as individuals and as a body to do something speedily for the help of these two works which really belong to you, and are done in your name.

THE DIVINITY SCHOOL

The Divinity School has had another exceptionally good year. More and better men are looking towards the ministry. The time immediately ahead of us is likely to be critical in the work of theological education. I would seriously invite the attention of the Convention to this fact. I am earnestly of the opinion that we ought to make a great effort at this time to enlarge the scope and usefulness of the Divinity School. It has had a notable history. It deserves well of the Church. It ought to be able to count upon the loyalty and generous support of the Diocese. The time seems ripe for a forward movement on a large scale. The Joint Boards of the School, the Faculty, and the Alumni are feeling its need in common. They are being drawn closer and closer together in a realizing sense of their responsibility, and in the great hopes which they cherish for the Institution. I cannot now go into details. I have said that our plans should be on a large scale. I mean by this that they should include the removal of the School from its present site, which is becoming more and more intolerable every year, to a site if possible within easy reach of the University of Pennsylvania. This will, of course, necessitate the erection of a building, or rather a series of buildings, in all ways adequate for the purpose to be. The salaries of the professors should be increased to at least one-third more than they are now and houses should be provided for them. In times past, the Laymen of the Church have not been slow with their gifts for theological education. I am sure that if they will look into the present situation and see the hope which it holds out, they will rally once more to the call and make the Divinity School of Philadelphia worthy of its past and ready to meet its future.

THE INASMUCH MISSION

Last fall, at the request of the superintendent, Mr. Long, the notable work of this mission was put into my charge. I appointed to help me a committee of seven clergymen and laymen. The work has gone on increasing. There has been really an amazing response to Mr. Long's wisdom and devotion. None of those who were privileged to be present at the second anniversary meeting, held shortly after Easter, in Witherspoon Hall, can ever forget it. As a matter of fact, it was this meeting which induced one of our generous lay people to give \$50,000 to build for the mission an adequate home for the care and housing of the throngs who come to it. This building will provide in the neighborhood of two hundred beds, and will make excellent provision for the

mission services. At present, and until a better and more permanent way is found, the mission will be managed as it is now, that is, by a voluntary committee, under the Bishop.

THE GALILEE MISSION

The Galilee Mission, ever showing new life and zeal, is about to acquire a building where a School for the Training of Workers will be maintained. Students, and others familiar with this particular line of mission work, resort to the Galilee Mission in large numbers. The proposed school will meet an actual and growing need. The Diocese should, indeed, be thankful that we have in our midst, and at the heart of our life, two such notable and noble institutions. They are among the chief of our glories.

CHURCH TRAINING AND DEACONESS HOUSE

After twenty-two years of most efficient and faithful service Deaconess Sanford has resigned. The institution owes more to her patient wisdom and persevering zeal, than can be told. During her whole term of office she showed herself rarely gifted with the spirit of love, power and of a sound mind. It was no easy task which was laid on her. She had to convince the Church of the usefulness of the revived order of deaconesses, about which there was much skepticism. She had also to create an ideal of what the work of a deaconess should be, and shape the material given to her to embody the ideal which she had chosen. The material was not always of the best. The facilities at her command were not always adequate, but she worked steadily and wisely. The Diocese was always sympathetic. Gradually the means at her command were increased and improved, and at her resignation, she left our Church Training and Deaconess House in a very high condition of efficiency, and with an acknowledged place in the respect and confidence of the whole Church.

The resignation of Deaconess Sanford was marked in a way which has given much satisfaction to her friends, and will, it is hoped, afford her the practical relief which she so much deserves. As the result of a meeting at the Bishop's house in January, a movement was started for the increase of the Deaconess Retiring Fund. The money raised is to be known as the Deaconess Sanford Retiring Fund. The income received from it is to go to Deaconess Sanford as a pension during her life. At her death it is to be merged in the general fund for the support of retired deaconesses. The fund at the present time has reached about \$12,800. The committee in charge is working for a total amount of not less than \$15,000. I would commend this object very earnestly to the Diocese in the hope that at least the balance needed to complete this amount may be made up without delay. It remains for me to announce officially that Deaconess Clara Carter, recently returned from her heroic and difficult work at Allakaket in Alaska, has been appointed as head of the Church Training and Deaconess House in succession to Deaconess Sanford. The deep regret of Bishop Rowe at the loss of one of his most faithful and trusted workers is a sufficient measure of our blessing and good fortune in securing Deaconess Carter. I ask for her the earnest prayers and cordial support of the Diocese. She has already abundantly proved her fitness for the responsible work entrusted to her.

THE CHURCH NEWS

I want to congratulate the Diocese most heartily upon the remarkable success which our Diocesan paper, *THE CHURCH NEWS*, has achieved during its first year of existence. I can say

this very freely because I personally have had nothing to do with it. It is an intense pleasure to bear witness to the solid, able, unremitting labor of the Board of Editors, especially of Mr. Bartlett, the Editor-in-chief, and also of the two laymen who have had charge of the business management of the paper. Financially, the success of the paper is seen by the fact that the capital fund of \$3,000 will remain untouched after all the bills are paid. In other words, the paper has been self-supporting from the start. On its literary and editorial side, I can speak with no less confidence. The news of the Diocese has been gathered and circulated with excellent effect. Many articles have been written, concerned both with the history of our Diocese and with several burning questions of the times, which are of permanent value. I would lay especial emphasis on Dr. Rogers' series of articles on "The Church in Pennsylvania," which should be carefully read by every loyal member of the Diocese. They are models of what such articles should be.

FROM BISHOP GARLAND'S ADDRESS

CHURCH EXTENSION

Referring to the request of the Bishop of the Diocese at the last Convention that "six churches should be built in six years," we have every reason to feel encouraged that a fair start has been made. It is true that the amount needed for the "Bishop Whitaker Memorial" is not yet completed, but \$50,000 (the amount first suggested) is practically within sight. It was found necessary, however, in designing a worthy memorial, to finish the parish building and erect a rectory, so that the expense will be about \$62,000; and it is earnestly hoped that the balance will soon be raised. The other five churches were St. George's, Port Richmond; St. Bartholomew's, Lehigh Avenue; St. Anna's, Fifty-sixth and Market Streets; Epiphany, Sherwood; and the Mission at Darby, since named All Saints'.

The Board of Missions has decided that the next church to be erected by the Diocese in furtherance of this program will be St. George's, Port Richmond. St. Bartholomew's, on Lehigh Avenue, has organized as a parish and has asked to be admitted into union with the Convention. St. Anna's Mission has been taken by the corporation of the Church of the Redemption, which sold its property on Callowhill Street, and with the proceeds of the sale the vestry is about to erect a new and commodious church at Fifty-sixth and Market Streets. Considering these six churches mentioned a year ago, we can therefore look on the record of twelve months as one of progress towards the strengthening and upbuilding of these great centers. If there is a generous response to the appeal for the building of St. George's, Port Richmond, we can look forward hopefully to the erection of a church for the congregation of Epiphany, Sherwood, in the near future, and one for Darby, where the congregation is now worshipping in the new parish building. The congregation at Epiphany is too large for the present accommodations in the chapel of the parish house and a new church is an immediate necessity.

There are two other parishes in West Philadelphia where new buildings are needed, the Church of the Holy Comforter and St. George's. A new and larger edifice is imperatively needed for the growing congregation of the former. It is one of the defects of our present system that we penalize those who are endeavoring to help themselves. If this was a mission instead of a parish it would receive assistance in many ways, but because

it is composed of earnest communicants who feel that they should support their own parish, they are left to struggle by themselves when a growing neighborhood demands a larger equipment which they are absolutely unable to provide.

The same is true of St. George's, and particularly so of a Sunday-school and parish building, though at the present time there is some hope that by amalgamation with another parish, some needed assistance may be received to aid in the furtherance of their plans.

THE SUBURBS AND RURAL DISTRICTS

The work referred to so far is largely city work, but I want to make special reference to conditions in the suburbs and rural districts. Geographically considered, over seven-eighths of our Diocese is rural, and as it is growing in influence and importance, it is in the country districts that we should put our strongest men. There was a time in the past when our country parishes were strong in number of communicants and in influence, and although many of them have been weak numerically and financially for the past few generations, we are now in a transition stage and the outlook for the future is bright and hopeful if we throw ourselves with some real interest and enthusiasm into the work.

The work of the country is in many respects difficult, but it is one that is worthy of our best men, and though the country parson does not influence as large a population as the city parson, he has an influence over a wider area, and when he becomes identified with his community through years of service he wields a wider and more potent influence than is possible in the city in these days of changing conditions and shifting congregations.

With the Convocations assigned to me by the Bishop, West Philadelphia, Chester and Norristown, it will be seen at once that outside of visitations the rural work will have the chief part of my attention. I have always felt certain that, if we really got to work in our rural districts in a practical and statesman-like way, with faith in the future and a corps of able missionaries devoted to their work, great things could be done.

NEED OF A MISSIONARY BUDGET

In addition to the support given by the Board of Missions, if we could have a few generous individuals who would place at my disposal an aggregate of \$1,000 annually in each Convocation for missionary extension and the strengthening of present work, I have no doubt that the results would be most gratifying. I am sure the Bishop of the Diocese could use a similar amount in the other three Convocations. This question of the need of money for the proper development of our work in the Diocese leads to a suggestion as to whether the time has not come when we should in some systematic way compile a budget of our requirements to properly conduct all the missionary work in the Diocese.

We have appeals for the Sustentation Fund and the Convocation Fund, for Work Among the Colored People, the Italians, the Jews, the Deaf, the Blind, the French Church, and for the work done amongst those foreigners who are members of the various Eastern orthodox churches.

It is extremely difficult for generous men and women to decide from time to time what calls represent the most pressing needs and yet the missionary work in the Diocese is one.

We need for fixed charges about as follows: To augment the

salaries of rectors of parishes needing assistance from the Sustentation Fund, about \$4,000. For salaries of missionaries and divinity students in the missions of the Diocese, about \$15,000. For salary of the archdeacon for work among the colored people and the missionaries under him, about \$5,000. (This does not include the self-supporting parishes of the Crucifixion and St. Thomas' or parochial missions for colored people.) For work among the deaf and blind, about \$3,000. For work among the Italians, about \$2,000. For work among the Jews, about \$2,000. For work among foreigners, about \$2,000. For the Galilee Mission, about \$1,000. This makes a total of about \$30,000 (exclusive of the Sustentation Fund), which is about the minimum sum absolutely needed to pay all fixed charges and to secure an adequate provision for our present work. In addition there should be recommended through each Convocation to the Board of Missions and from the Board annually to the Convention some of the most necessary projects for the extension of missionary work in the various Convocations to be undertaken during the next Convention year.

Under our present system there is a great deal of promiscuous giving without knowing whether the gifts are bestowed in the wisest way for the extension of our missionary work. There should be a deliberate dedication of a portion of our gifts for work in our own Diocese and I am sure our generous men and women would welcome and support a plan which would protect them from unauthorized solicitation and ensure that their regular gifts should be used for the most necessary objects judged from a Diocesan standpoint. Such a system would always leave room for special gifts to be devoted to the purchase of new sites or the erection of new buildings properly authorized—and a provision could be made for one project of general interest to the whole Diocese, such as the erection of a new church every year. The special offerings such as Ash Wednesday, Good Friday could go as usual towards the appropriation.

I would suggest that a committee be appointed to consider the preparation of such a Diocesan budget and to report to the next Convention, and to print the report in THE CHURCH NEWS not later than the March issue of 1914.

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Before leaving this division of my address I would report to the Convention that I have appointed a Diocesan Committee for the completion of the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge, and I earnestly request that every member of the Church will assist in the effort to secure the necessary funds before December 19th of this year so that we may avail ourselves of a contingent offer for the erection of a chancel. We now need \$30,000 in cash or pledges to finish the building. When it is finished it will be self-supporting and will be a center for missionary work not only in its own community, but when we consider that over 28,000 persons visit it annually, and the number is increasing, we cannot over-estimate the inspiration and blessing it will be to visitors from all sections of our country. I hope that every deputy to this Convention, and all other communicants of the Church will send a liberal contribution to the treasurer of the committee, Mr. R. Francis Wood.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION

Statistics are not always reliable and this is true of Sunday Schools as of parishes; but it may be assumed that the per-

centage of errors is about the same from year to year. According to our records from the years 1906-10 there was an average increase in the number of teachers and pupils of less than one per cent per year. In 1911 the statistics showed a total decrease of over 6,000, or about twelve per cent. For the past two years there has been the former usual increase of about one per cent, but the total enrolled to-day still remains about 5,000 less than several years ago. These facts are worthy of grave consideration as the future of a church depends largely on the Sunday School. In the city of Philadelphia alone it is said that there are 70,000 children who do not attend any Sunday School.

This leads me naturally to speak of the statistics of those confirmed, of which I have made a careful analysis of those presented to me during the past year. Again I must state that these are not quite accurate or complete, some of the clergy giving full information in each case, and some apparently finding it impossible to do so. Of the 1,582 persons presented to me in the past year, about 850 were brought up in the Church; of the balance it was impossible in the case of twenty-five per cent of them to state their former religious affiliation as they were varied; but of the seventy-five per cent tabulated the following will be interesting as to the number received from various religious bodies:

Methodist.....	157
Lutheran.....	77
Roman Catholic.....	73
Presbyterian.....	73
Baptist.....	42

When we consider that the average number of adults baptized in a year is over 600 and the average number of infants baptized is over 3,500 annually, one is forced to the conclusion that although a number not brought up in our Church are presented for Confirmation, we must be losing a large number of those who were baptized in the Church and who naturally belong to us. Of the 3,500 infants annually baptized, all who live to the age of fifteen or sixteen years should be brought up in the Church. And when we consider in addition, the large number in our Sunday Schools who were not baptized in the Church, it would seem as if our Confirmations should be larger in number. The annual average is about five per cent of our communicant list, but in many parishes it rarely rises above one or two per cent.

My own personal belief is that we do not pay sufficient attention to looking after the children who have been attending our Sunday Schools and when they remove from the parish take pains to see that they are commended to the pastoral care of the rector into whose parish they remove; and in the second place, we overlook the fact that the children who are baptized in the Church need continual oversight and care so that they may be brought to Sunday School and be "taught all those things which a Christian ought to know and believe unto his soul's health." The commission to the Christian ministry was not only to feed the sheep but also to feed the lambs.

I would also suggest advisability of gathering together every year all those presented for Confirmation during one's ministry, or in a new parochial charge those of at least several years previous. Appoint a time for them to meet the class at one or more of the instructions, some evening to meet the class after Confirmation, and specially invite them to receive with them at their first communion.

A friend of mine made a suggestion to me last Saturday that

it would be an excellent plan to invite each autumn all those confirmed during the year to a service of celebration of the Holy Communion, and a simple address of spiritual counsel. Perhaps in the near future, Bishop Rhinelander and I can each arrange for such a service and bring together all those who during the year have been presented to us to receive the Laying on of Hands. The inspiration and help derived from such a meeting of the Bishop and those whom he has confirmed would be a blessing to all of us.

I refer to the work of our Sunday Schools and Confirmation classes at this time instead of in a special address to the clergy, as I do not think the clergy are wholly or chiefly to blame for any falling off in numbers. There is needed in every parish and mission more coöperation on the part of our representative laymen; we cannot expect our Sunday Schools to prosper without it. Every member has a vocation and ministry in the Church; many laymen are nobly fulfilling it—others have not fully realized their responsibilities. When the influence of our Christian faith is seen in Christian character and consecration to God's work, there will be a corresponding growth in our Sunday Schools and Bible classes, and every communicant in a parish will set apart the time before the annual visitation for Confirmation as a season of prayer and work that by the guidance of God's spirit His children may consecrate themselves, their souls and bodies to His service. I have endeavored to show you as St. Paul saith, "how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

THE CHANGE OF NAME

Mr. Lewis' resolution, as amended and passed, reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The Convention of the Diocese of California has memorialized the General Convention to change the title page of the Book of Common Prayer so as to make it read

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER
AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS
AND OTHERS RITES AND CEREMONIES OF
THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH

according to the use of that Branch thereof commonly known as the Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania deems any change whatsoever, either of the name of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America or of the title page of the Book of Common Prayer to be inexpedient at this time.

Resolved, That the Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention be requested to present the foregoing Preamble and Resolution as a memorial to that body from the Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,

Provided, that nothing in the foregoing Preamble and Resolution be considered in the nature of instructions to any Deputy of this Diocese to the General Convention.

NEW MISSIONARY CANON

CANON 25

GENERAL MISSIONS

SECTION 1. Parish Missionary Committees.

There shall be in each Parish in the Diocese a Missionary

Committee of at least three appointed annually by the Rector, or, in case there be no Rector, by the Church Wardens, at least one member of the said Committee being a member of the Vestry. And in each Mission there shall be a similar Committee appointed by the Minister in charge, or in case of a vacancy in that office, by the Bishop. It shall be the duty of the Missionary Committee to aid the Rector or Minister in charge in increasing Missionary interest and gifts.

SECTION 2. Central Missionary Committee.

There shall be in the Diocese a Central Missionary Committee auxiliary to the General Board of Missions, composed of the Deputies to the Missionary Council of the Third Department, the members of the General Board of Missions residing in this Diocese and of one member of the Missionary Committee in each Parish and Mission.

The Bishop, Bishop Coadjutor and Bishop or Bishops Suffragan when there be such, shall be *ex officio* members of the Central Missionary Committee. The Committee shall elect a Vice-President who shall preside in the absence of a Bishop.

It shall be the duty of the Central Missionary Committee:—

(a) To distribute annually among the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese the apportionment allotted to the Diocese by the General Board of Missions upon such basis as the Convention may from time to time direct and in the absence of such direction in such way as the Committee may determine.

(b) To cooperate with the auxiliary Committee in the several Parishes and Missions.

(c) To cooperate with the Department Secretary and the Department Missionary Committee of the Missionary Council of the Third Department.

SECTION 3. There shall be an Executive Committees of the Central Missionary Committee, fifteen in number, consisting of the elected Deputies to the Missionary Council of the Third Department, three members appointed by the Bishop and the remaining members elected by the Central Missionary Committee.

The Bishop shall take order for the calling of the Primary Meeting of the Central Missionary Committee prior to December 1, 1913, and it shall thereafter meet subject to its own rules.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON SOCIAL SERVICE

The Social Service Commission is now a part of the official life of the Church. It is subordinate to the General Social Service Commission, appointed by General Convention, and acts under its direction. Consequently, as an integral feature of the official life of the Church, it deserves the same respect and consideration due to any other authorized department of Church work. This fact, so soon as it is recognized, will have its influence on the attitude of all loyal members of the Diocese towards the Social Service Commission. They will naturally be observant of its reasonable appeals, and will generously aid it in the fulfilment of its legitimate functions.

THE COMMISSION AND THE DIOCESE

The commission is becoming an important part of diocesan life, and every Diocese, in the near future, will number such a body among its already established committees. Some Dioceses are giving their commission a hearty moral support and a strong financial backing. Our own commission would be glad to have a like encouragement. It has received during the year last past,

by vote of the Convention, twenty dollars toward its current expenses. But the commission finds this sum to be insufficient and respectfully asks that it be raised to the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars.

THE RELATION OF THE COMMISSION TO THE PARISHES

The relation of your Social Service Commission to the parishes of the Diocese, and the possibilities of their coöperation in definite undertakings are questions that urgently demand consideration. Without such coöperation little can be done, and in some respects it is true that the chief function which the commission can discharge will be to act as the agent and mouth-piece of the parishes in the field of social service. In some Dioceses, as notably in Chicago, an effort has been made to organize a social service committee in every parish, with considerable success; so that it was possible to hold recently a conference of such parochial committees, under the presidency of Dean Sumner, for the discussion of the field and plan of their work.

Your commission believes, however, that in Pennsylvania at least, and for the present, instead of adding to parochial machinery by organizing new committees, it is feasible to make use of existing agencies. The Girls' Friendly Society, for instance, has a department for social service, and the parochial branches might be brought into touch with this commission; so also might chapters of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, or other guilds of men or women; or even a Bible class or group of Sunday School scholars, who had become interested in social applications of the Gospel, might serve as the point of contact between the parish and the commission, by correspondence, or by personal visits of our members. A great deal of this preliminary work needs to be done before our efforts can have coherence or effectiveness.

An admirable example of what may be undertaken is afforded by St. Matthew's Parish, Philadelphia, where, following the outline prepared by Mr. Franklin Spencer Edmonds (a member of this commission), a committee of parishioners has made a social survey of the territory in the neighborhood of the church building, and pointed out what are the conditions and needs of that section of the city.

THE QUESTIONNAIRE

A questionnaire sent out early in the year by your commission, to acquire information as to the present organization of the parishes for social service, brought the encouraging number of eighty-three replies. This response is larger than that elicited by similar efforts in some of our neighboring Dioceses, and seems to indicate that there is an awakened interest in these matters here, and so the possibility of carrying out the plan above suggested.

THE USE OF EXISTING SOCIETIES

As a rule, your commission believes in the principle of support, ing and working through those tested agencies in the community which are already at work, and have a standing and weight, as well as large in experience in their respective fields. For examples in the support of the efforts now in progress to study the condition of employed children and correct abuses connected with them, we recommend that our Church people stand behind the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association, by whose vigilant and intelligent activities the improvements made in our laws in recent years have been largely promoted. Similarly, in the cause of better housing, the Housing Association calls for support.

What these and many similar societies need is the pressure behind them of a widespread and intelligent public opinion, which they ought to find in the congregations of our churches.

We may add here that your commission has considered the plan of inaugurating some method of aiding unprotected persons in the attainment of their legal rights. But there is already existent a society aiming at the just administration and interpretation of laws for the helpless poor and foreigner. It is called the Legal Aid Society of Philadelphia. The commission believes it to be wise to reach their ends through this body rather than create another body of the same kind.

The Social Service Committee of the Inter-Church Federation should be numbered among the active bodies already mentioned. During the year past its members have worked energetically for the passage of three bills at Harrisburg, namely, those bearing on child labor, hours of women, and housing. Your commission has sought to aid their efforts by sending to all the clergy of the Diocese the latest literature pertaining to these subjects, and by addressing a letter to the several priests connected with the Diocese asking their coöperation. The Bishop also wrote to the senators from Philadelphia urging their support of these measures.

GENERAL CONVENTION EXHIBIT

It is proposed by the Joint Commission on Social Service of the General Convention, to hold an exhibition, during the session of General Convention in New York next October, of the activities now to be found in the parishes of our Church, along this line. The Diocese of Pennsylvania will be represented in this exhibit; and your commission feels that the showing will be creditable if it can be made complete enough to be really representative. Two committees have been appointed to take charge of this matter, of whom, respectively, the chairmen are Mr. Franklin Spencer Edmonds and Rev. Dr. George C. Foley.

THE HEALTH CERTIFICATE

The commission also draws the attention of the Diocese to a resolution, framed in November last, by the Social Service Commission of the Diocese of Chicago. The resolution requests the clergy of its own and other Dioceses "to safeguard the integrity of the race and the home, so far as the power lies with them, by spreading educational matter before the congregations under their charge, and, if not insisting upon, at least encouraging the presentation of a health certificate from a reputable physician to the effect that those whom they are to marry have neither an incurable nor communicable disease; and, further, the clergy and social service committees are urged to assist in the movement for social and moral betterment by initiating and encouraging special legislation looking to carefully drawn rules to prevent the securing of licenses by those who are morally and physically unfit." The importance of this resolution is very great, and deserves our earnest attention. It is directly concerned with the safeguarding not merely of the family but of the national life. And we may observe, in passing, that a health certificate is already required at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Chicago, from those purposing to be married by any of its clergy.

SOCIAL SERVICE LECTURES

The request is sometimes made for lecturers on the nature and methods of social service work. Mr. W. B. Patterson, secretary of the Social Service Commission of the Inter-Church Federation,

whose office is in the Empire Building, Philadelphia, has a list of carefully selected lecturers, in which are the names of a large number of churchmen. This list will be furnished on application, and information given concerning the choice of lecturer.

A list of books, also, is sometimes desired. The commission recommends the following, which, we understand, have recently been placed in the Diocesan library:

Our Neighbors, by Canon Scott-Holland (S. S. U. Handbooks).

The Clergy and Social Service, by the Dean of Worcester (Dr. Ede).

The Church and Society, by R. Fulton Cutting.

Faith and Social Service, by Dean Hodges.

The Kingdom of God and American Life, by the Bishop of Connecticut.

THE VICE COMMISSION OF PHILADELPHIA

The report of this commission was presented to the Mayor of the city on Monday, the 21st of April last. The Church was represented on the commission by the Rev. Dr. Henry L. Phillips, Archdeacon, and Mr. Francis A. Lewis. The report was admirable in the arrangement of its details and was fully summarized in the city newspapers of the 22d of April. The report which was awaited with profound interest on its appearance, was received as a particularly important and instructive document.



PROPORTIONATE REPRESENTATION

Mr. Steele's Amendment to the Constitution

The Rev. David M. Steele offered the following Resolution so to amend the Constitution of the Diocese as to provide for Proportionate Representation instead of Equality of Representation of Parishes by their Lay Delegates.

Resolved, That Article IV, section 2, paragraph one, of the Constitution of this Diocese be amended as follows:

Beginning middle of line 5, strike out "Each regularly established Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, now a member, or which shall hereafter be admitted a member of the Convention, may send to the Convention a Lay Deputy or Deputies, not exceeding three in number, to be elected by the Vestry of said Church: *Provided*, That no person shall be competent to serve as Deputy unless he has been a worshiper in the Church he represents, six calendar months next before his election.* When two or more Churches are united under one Vestry, Deputies may be sent from each Church subject to the proviso aforesaid. The deputation from each Church shall be entitled to one vote, and no more." End of line 17.

And beginning middle of line 5, insert "Each regularly established Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, now a member, or which shall hereafter be admitted a member of the Convention, may send to the Convention one Lay Deputy. And each such Church may send additional Lay Deputies in such proportion to the number of its communicants as reported to the Convention next preceding, as the Convention may from time to time by Canon prescribe: *Provided, however*. That no Church shall at any time send to the Convention more than seven Deputies: *And provided further*, That the ratio of representation when fixed by Canon shall not be changed except by a two-thirds vote of each order. No person shall be competent to serve as a Deputy unless he has been a worshiper in the Church he represents, six calendar months before his election.* When two or more Churches are united under one Vestry, Deputies may be sent from each Church subject to the provisos aforesaid. Such Deputies shall be elected by the Vestry of the Church and shall vote as individuals, except in final action upon proposed changes in the Constitution."

*"*Resolved*, That the Churches of the Diocese be affectionately and earnestly requested to select their Deputies to the Convention from such of their people as 'come to the Holy Communion.'"—*Journal* of 1863, p. 84.

See also *Journal* of 1893, p. 146, "No person shall sit as a Deputy from more than one Church or Congregation," etc. (Appendix A.)

MRS. WILLIAM S. GRANT

At the April meeting of the Indian's Hope the following resolution was read and accepted, all standing:

"The Indian's Hope Association has lost lately, by death, Mrs. Wm. S. Grant, who was our active and competent treasurer, and long and faithfully devoted to her work among us.

"She remained as Honorary Treasurer when failing health obliged her to be absent, but she never lost her interest. Her energy and devotion are a great loss to the Association.

"He who cannot err has called her to Himself, and we know it is well with our friend.

"We send our deep sympathy to her family and say that we miss her from our midst."

GERTRUDE BANKS DOUGHERTY,
Secretary Indian's Hope Association.

THE DEACONESS RETIRING FUND

We are asked to call attention to the fact that the treasurer of this fund is Mr Arthur E. Newbold, who may be addressed in care of Drexel & Co., at Fifth and Chestnut Streets.

The income of this fund is to be, during her lifetime, the well-earned pension of Deaconess Sanford, who has recently retired as House-Mother of the Church Training and Deaconess House.

DR. ROGERS CALLED TO EVANSTON

At a special meeting of the vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester, Pa., held May 20, 1913, it was unanimously

"Resolved, That the resignation of Dr. Arthur Rogers as rector be accepted with great regret:—and the vestry would express their deep sense of appreciation of the faithful; and willing labors of the rector, and of Mrs. Rogers, in this parish, and of the growth of the work during his rectorship.

"We congratulate St. Mark's, Evanston, Ill., and the Diocese of Chicago, on their acquisition, and while they do so at our expense we feel the Church at large will profit by the wider opportunities afforded Dr. Rogers in his new field; and that to further endeavor to persuade him to reconsider would neither be just to him, nor for the good of the Church in a wide sense."

LAWRENCE J. MORRIS,
Secretary.

THE CHURCH TRAINING AND DEACONESS HOUSE

In May the Church Training and Deaconess House of the Diocese of Pennsylvania completed one of its most successful winters, in spite of the drawback of changing its Head Deaconess in the middle of the year. Last autumn, to the deep regret of the Board of Managers, Deaconess Sanford was obliged, by the advice of her physician, to send in her resignation as Head Deaconess and her ill health made it necessary to secure a successor as soon as possible.

In the emergency, the Managers turned to one of the graduates of the School, Deaconess Clara M. Carter, who was leaving her mission station at Allakaket, Alaska, for her furlough. With Bishop Rowe's self-sacrificing but cordial consent, Deaconess Carter accepted the call to new service, for which her experience of ten years' devoted labor under Bishop Rowe in his difficult field peculiarly fitted her. Added to this, her training under Deaconess Sanford, and as a graduate nurse, have given her wide experience in working with, and in guiding others, all of which will be especially valuable in her new field of usefulness. No stronger proof could be given of the enduring work done by Deaconess Sanford in her twenty-two years as head of the School, than the fact that the foundations laid by her have proved strong and sure enough to allow the work to go on smoothly on the lines laid down by her, and that it will be ably continued by one of her graduates.

Friends of Alaska will be glad to learn that two graduates of the Church Training and Deaconess House expect to go to Allakaket this summer to carry on the work there from which Deaconess Carter was called.

Application for admission to the School may be made at any time by addressing the Admission Committee, 708 Spruce Street.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Annual Service for all the Branches in the Diocese was held in the Church of the Holy Trinity on Thursday evening, April 24th. The attendance was larger than ever before, some of the Branches going into the gallery. At least 1,150 were present. The procession, entering simultaneously the three aisles of the church, was a most imposing and inspiring sight. The clergy in the chancel,

assisting at the service, were the Revs. G. W. Hodge, S.T.D., H. M. Medary, F. D. Ward, A. J. Arkin, J. K. Moorhouse, A. R. Berkeley, J. Manuel, C. Townsend, A. E. Clay, F. W. Tomkins, S.T.D., H. Cone and E. Burk. The sermon was preached by the rector, the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, S.T.D., from 2 Cor. 1:12: "In simplicity and godly sincerity." The offering amounted to \$268, and was as usual for the support of the Holiday House at Cape May.

Previous to the service, a supper is always served, at a nominal cost, for the convenience of members living at long distances, and this year over four hundred availed themselves of this opportunity. At this time, also, the missionary work done throughout the Branches during Lent is exhibited. The quality of the work was very good, and amounted to 2,339 articles, valued at \$744.62, and was divided between Grace Hospital, Morganton, N. C.; Rutherford Hospital, Rutherfordton, N. C.; St. Philip's Normal and Industrial School, San Antonio, Tex.; Shoshone Indian School, Wind River, Wyo.; The Sheltering Arms, Philadelphia; about 1,200 articles going to the latter institution.

The Annual Service for the Candidate Classes in the Diocese was held in St. Luke's Church, Germantown, on the afternoon of Saturday, May 3d. The rector, the Rev. Samuel Upjohn, addressed the children from the 6th verse of Isaiah 11: "And a little child shall lead them." This service was also very well attended, about 450 children being present. At this time the missionary work which the candidates had been doing was shown. They, too, had worked for the Sheltering Arms, and had made 391 garments; and besides this had made many Christmas presents for the children in the Alaskan mission, sending 5 boxes of tree ornaments, 36 dressed dolls, 21 scrap books, and other toys. Their entire work was valued at \$117.93. The offering at this service was for missions in Alaska, and amounted to \$26.

So far as can be judged at this early date there is every possibility that the Easter Offering of the Sunday-schools will equal the splendid record of last year, \$167,000. It is hoped that it may even go beyond that figure. Never has there been more interest and enthusiasm displayed.

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Episcopal Appointments for June and July

Sunday, June 1—Second Sunday after Trinity

A. M. CHESTER—*St. Paul's Church*.....The Bishop
A. M. RIDLEY PARK—*Christ Church*...The Bishop Suffragan
Evg. CHESTER—*St. Luke's Church*.....The Bishop
Evg. ESSINGTON—*St. John's Church (and Eddystone)*
The Bishop Suffragan

Tuesday, June 3

Dedication of the Archway Bay and Open Air Pulpit at Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge.
The Bishop Suffragan

Wednesday, June 4

Evg. NORWOOD—*St. Stephen's Church*.....The Bishop

Friday, June 6

Evg. PHILADELPHIA—Confirmation, *Church of St. Simon the Cyrenian*.....The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, June 8—Third Sunday after Trinity

A. M. WYNNEWOOD—*All Saints' Church*.....The Bishop
A. M. MOORE—*St. James Mission*....The Bishop Suffragan
Evg. ROSEMONT—*Church of the Good Shepherd*...The Bishop
Evg. MARCUS HOOK—*St. Martin's Church*,
The Bishop Suffragan

Wednesday, June 11

Evg. ROCKDALE—*Calvary Church*.....The Bishop
NEWTOWN—Confirmation, *St. Luke's Church*,
The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, June 15—Fourth Sunday after Trinity

RADNOR—*ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH (AND ITHAN).*
VISITATION BY THE BISHOP SUFFRAGAN.
A. M. CHESTNUT HILL—*St. Paul's Church*.....The Bishop
P. M. KENSINGTON—*Emmanuel Church*.....The Bishop

Sunday, June 22—Fifth Sunday after Trinity

A. M. COATESVILLE—*Church of the Trinity*.....The Bishop
A. M. PAOLI—*Church of the Good Samaritan*,
The Bishop Suffragan
P. M. PARKESBURG—*Church of the Ascension*....The Bishop
Evg. DOWNINGTOWN—*St. James' Church*,
The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, June 29—Sixth Sunday after Trinity

A. M. CUPOLA—*St. Mark's Church*.....The Bishop Suffragan
A. M. GLEN LOCH—*St. Paul's Church*.....The Bishop
P. M. GREAT VALLEY—*St. Peter's Church*.....The Bishop
Evg. WARWICK—*St. Mary's Church*...The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, July 6—Seventh Sunday after Trinity

A. M. KELTON—*St. John's Church*....The Bishop Suffragan
Evg. KENNETT SQUARE—*Church of the Advent*,
The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, July 13—Eighth Sunday after Trinity

A. M. COMPASS—*St. John's Church*....The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, July 20—Ninth Sunday after Trinity

A. M. WEST VINCENT—*St. Andrew's Church*,
The Bishop Suffragan

Sunday, July 27—Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Evg. ROYERSFORD—*Epiphany Church*,...The Bishop Suffragan

The Diocesan Bulletin

The Editors fear that the notices printed below will be found incomplete. This, if it proves the case, will but show that editorial diligence, unaided, must needs fail to discover every important meeting scheduled. The Editors ask that each organization and institution of the Diocese assume the responsibility of sending them notices in advance of the meetings appointed for the ensuing month. Such notices should be sent to the Editors of THE CHURCH NEWS, the Church House, Twelfth and Walnut Streets, and should reach them not later than the 21st of the month.

June 1. Second Sunday after Trinity

June 2. Monday

Clerical Brotherhood Meeting under the auspices of the Clergy Missionary Association, Church House, 11.30 A. M.

June 4. Wednesday

Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Overseers of the Divinity School, at the School Building, 2.30 P. M.

June 5. Thursday

Commencement—Alumni Day of the Divinity School.

8.00 A. M. Holy Communion, Chapel of the School.

8.45 A. M. Breakfast.

11.00 A. M. Commencement—Preacher, the Rev. L. W. Batten, Ph.D., S.T.D., '87. Church of the Atone-ment, 47th and Kingsessing Ave.

1.00 P. M. Luncheon (cards of admission required).

2.30 P. M. Annual Business Meeting of the Associate Alumni.

4.30 to 6 P. M. Reception to Alumni and Friends.

6.00 P. M. Alumni Supper (cards of admission required).

7.30 P. M. Reading of Essay by Rev. Roland Ringwalt, '86.

June 8. Third Sunday after Trinity

June 9. Monday

Clerical Brotherhood—Closing Meeting. Round Table Luncheon at Y. M. C. A. Hall, 1421 Arch St., at 1 P. M.

June 11. Wednesday—Saint Barnabas

June 15. Fourth Sunday after Trinity

June 22. Fifth Sunday after Trinity

June 24. Tuesday—Nativity of St. John the Baptist

June 28. Saturday

Laying of Foundation of Bishop Whitaker Memorial Church of Saint Barnabas, Sixty-fourth and Haverford Avenue, 3 P. M.

June 29. Sunday—Saint Peter

"THE PASCHAL VICTOR."

"The Paschal Victor," a cantata for Easter or general use, with text arranged or written by Van Tassel Sutphen and music by J. Sebastian Matthews is, as the prefatory note indicates, a distinct departure from the traditional style of ecclesiastical cantata. The musical recitative is reduced to a minimum and the expository narrative is assigned instead to the minister officiating who discharges his part in the form of selected Scripture readings. This novel arrangement is accounted for by the extended scope of the work which covers much more ground, in an historical and dramatic sense, than is usual in such a composition.

The authors have felt, too, that the introduction of lessons and collects, which occur with considerable frequency, imparts to the service a distinctly worshipful character without interfering with its continuity of musical interest. The soundness of this opinion is open to some questions and there will doubtless be many to dissent from it utterly. The practice, however, of mixing Scriptural readings

and Choral renderings has an approximate precedent in the remote past, to wit, the mediæval "farcings" which, in a way, may be considered the germ of the idea that later produced the oratorio.

The work is scored for tenor (or soprano) and baritone solo, chorus and organ along with an orchestra of strings, flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, horns, tympan and harp. The three parts of the cantata carry the thread of Gospel events from the Passion to the Ascension and thus for those desiring a composition of this nature for general use it is a convenient contribution to the available stock.

To one accustomed to the usual proportion of recitative, the lack of that form of expression will seem somewhat strange. The inclusion of a number of hymns gives the congregation an opportunity to participate in the rendition, a feature often found desirable.

The music is dignified, scholarly and eminently singable. It is evidently the work of one who well understands the possibilities of the voice in chorus and solo, and knows how to secure the most

effective results. Throughout the work words and music are singularly in keeping. At the same time, also, no opportunity is missed to bring out all possible dramatic power. While thoroughly modern in style, respect for traditional ecclesiastical forms is by no means lacking.

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THE CLERICAL BROTHERHOOD

The season for 1912-13 will be closed with a Round Table Luncheon for the clergy on Monday, June 9th, at 1 P. M., at the Central Building of the Young Men's Christian Association, 1521 Arch Street, Philadelphia. Price per plate, 65 cents. Will the clergy reserve this date and notify Rev. C. S. Lyons, Treasurer, 6769 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, of their intention to be present. Payment for tickets will be asked for at the luncheon.

COMMITTEE ON TOPICS.

THE CHURCH IN PENNSYLVANIA

BY THE REV. ARTHUR ROGERS

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BISHOP WHITAKER'S ADMINISTRATION

As it had happened to Bishop White and Bishop Potter, so, after a quarter of a century, it happened to Bishop Stevens. The infirmities of age came upon him, and there was need that some one should be found to help him bear the burdens of the Diocese. How heavy those burdens are perhaps none can know except those who have themselves been called to bear them. But it requires little knowledge, and even less imagination, to perceive that they would demand all the powers of a strong man in the very prime of life. There is no such word as episcopicide in the dictionary. It cannot be said that there has never been such a practise in the Church.

In 1886 Bishop Stevens, who had been for more than twenty years the only Bishop in the Diocese, asked for the election of an Assistant. To many of his old friends in Philadelphia the name of Phillips Brooks at once suggested itself. It was seventeen years since he had gone to Boston, but he was not the kind of man who changes his friends merely because he has changed his place of residence, and those who had known and loved him when he was rector of Holy Trinity parish knew and loved him still. In one of his essays, after speaking of the value of the New Testament, not as a book of dogmas nor a book of laws, but as a biography, he has this to say; "I believe fully that the intrinsic life of any human being is so interesting that if it can be simply and sympathetically put in words it will be legitimately interesting to other men. There is not one of us living to-day so simple and monotonous a life that, if he be true and natural, his life faithfully written would not be worthy of men's eyes and hold men's hearts. Not one of us, therefore, who, if he be true and pure and natural, may not, though his life never should be written, be interesting and stimulating to his fellow men in some small circle as they touch his life." Whatever men might say of Phillips Brooks, he was interesting and stimulating, in everything he said and did, to all who knew him.

But there were many who were opposed to his election as Assistant Bishop, and among them none was more positive than Phillips Brooks himself. When the mat-

ter was first suggested to him he wrote a letter to his old friend Dr. Paddock, then rector of St. Andrew's Church. The phraseology is not that in which men carry on their formal correspondence. An excellent person once complained that it was undignified, and regretted that Dr. Allen had included it in his biography. Excellent persons have their uses, and there is no doubt that dignity must be maintained. But it is a consoling thought that men who are called upon to occupy positions of the greatest responsibility and honor can, on occasion, be undignified. There is no more lamentable spectacle than a dignitary who is not able to forget his greatness. At any rate, here the letter is: "The idea of your writing to me like that. You, that have known me from my infancy, that have played with me on the pleasant slopes of Shooter's Hill, that have roomed with me in St. George's, that have preached side by side with me in Philadelphia. That you should think that now, in my declining years, I would be a Bishop. No, my dear fellow, I was not made for such a fate. Stop, I beseech you, any movement that looks at all towards setting me up for that most unsuitable place. Kill it in the nest. Nip it in the bud. Blight it or ere it be sprung up. Yet let me not appear like a fool, declining and rejecting an office which I never have had offered me. This letter is for your own friendly eye alone, and I tell you as if we sat upon the steps of St. George's and talked it over, that I am neither suited nor inclined to be a Bishop, nor do I see how anything could make me be one. There." It is part of the history of the Church, though not of the Church in Pennsylvania, that the time came when Dr. Brooks was led to change his mind.

But in this election not Brooks himself could bring about his own defeat. He charged Dr. Cooper to withdraw his name, if it should be mentioned, by authority from him. He declared, in the most explicit language, that under no circumstances would he accept the place. His friends must have believed him, but it did not prevent their voting for him. Perhaps they thought that he might shrink from a possibility which he could not refuse if it should become an accomplished fact. There were nine ballots. Dr. Davies, rector of St. Peter's, afterwards Bishop of Michigan, and Dr. Kinsolving, rector of the Epiphany, and now Bishop of Texas, were the candidates

of the opposition. At last Brooks was elected. He delayed his answer for a fortnight, and then, in a letter dignified enough to suit the most exacting taste, he reiterated his inability to serve. "I have recognized the great and useful work which a Bishop of our Church in Pennsylvania may do for God and man, for Christ and the Church. I think I have not been deaf to any of the persuasions which plead for the acceptance of the work to which you call me. I must ask you to report to the Convention that I cannot accept the invitation to become the Assistant Bishop of your Diocese. My present work, in which I have been long engaged, and to which I am profoundly attached, still, I believe, welcomes and demands my care. I must not leave it, not even for such a useful and important task as I should find in the service to which I am invited."

Another Convention was called for the next month, and at that time Dr. Whitaker, then Missionary Bishop of Nevada, was chosen on the first ballot. He accepted his election in these words. "When your call came to me to become the Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania, I was engaged in a work in which nearly the whole of my ministerial life had been passed, to which my heart had been given, and in which I was expecting to continue until the summons should come to render a final account of my stewardship. Had I followed my own inclinations it would have been easy to express my profound sense of the honor you had conferred upon me, and to decline it. But to have done this would have been to repudiate the cardinal principle which I have tried to follow since I was ordained a minister of the Church of God, viz., to render implicit obedience to the manifest will of God. I could not resist the conviction that He was, through you, indicating what He had for me to do. But for this conviction I could not have accepted your election; with that pressing upon me I dared not refuse it."

Thus far these slender articles have been historical. They have dealt with men about whom the most of us could only know from books, and with conditions which the flight of years has largely changed and modified. But to the great majority of those who are now living in the Diocese, the figure of Bishop Whitaker belongs, not to the region of history, but to the field of personal experience. We know how faithfully he did his work,

not because men have told us about it, but because with our own eyes we have seen the doing of it. We know the soundness of his judgment along many lines, and if there were times when that judgment failed it was because he started from the premise that all men were as simple-hearted and open-minded as himself. There is no need to praise him, nor to repeat the story of that progress in which he had so large a part. It will be enough to touch briefly on two or three matters in which he felt the keenest interest.

Probably no work was nearer to his heart than that which he himself established at the Church Training and Deaconess House. He speaks in this way of its beginning, more than twenty years ago: "One of the most important acts of the last General Convention was the passage of the Canon of Deaconesses. It was not a hasty piece of legislation, for it had been under consideration at various times for more than thirty years. Its adoption was the expression of a public sentiment which has been forming in the Church during all this period. It was felt in the Convention that the need of godly, devoted, sensible women to assist the minister in the care of the poor and sick, in the religious training of the young and others, and in the work of moral reformation, was real and general; and it was felt also that when the provision for training women for such work should be provided, and their office duly recognized, many capable women, filled with a spirit of self-sacrifice and love for the Master, would come forward, saying, Here am I, send me." After describing the house, which was opened in Philadelphia on the Festival of the Epiphany, 1891, he goes on—"I firmly believe that if this undertaking shall be wisely conducted and generously sustained, it will be of inestimable advantage not only to this Diocese but to the whole Church. It will bring into active service a band of consecrated women whose services will be invaluable to those to whom they minister. It will bring back a source of influence and power of helpfulness which the Church once possessed, but which it has long been without. It will restore that agency for good of which the late Bishop of Durham spoke so feelingly when he said that if the testimony borne to the ministry of women in Apostolic times had not been blotted out of our English Bible by mistranslations, attention would probably have

been directed to the subject of Deaconesses at an earlier date, and the English Church would not have remained so long maimed in one of her hands." The history of the institution has more than justified his words.

Another matter which is of special interest to many of us is suggested by Bishop Whitaker's remarks on *The Church Standard*. There were giants on the earth in those days. Dr. John Fulton, its editor, made for himself a position in this Diocese which is probably unique in the annals of the Church. Coming here with none of the Pennsylvania traditions and without parochial charge, he became presently, through sheer force of intellect and vigor of mental grasp, the leading figure in our councils. There were many who disagreed with him. Probably there is no one who was with him in the Diocese who has not disagreed with him on some subject and at some time. But there were none who did not respect his ability and admire his attainments. Bishop Whitaker, with many other things of like import, had this to say of *The Church Standard*: "A Diocese like Pennsylvania ought to have a diocesan paper of the highest character and ability. It should be an unflinching advocate of the faith once delivered to the saints, and it should also represent the best scholarship of the time. I do not say that I coincide with its every position, or will stand sponsor for whatever it may say. He would be a bold man who would undertake that for any Church paper. But I do say that it is always manly and fair and Christian, always clear and strong and invigorating. Its intelligent discrimination between matters of faith and the minor matters concerning which there must always be differences of opinion lifts it far above the plane of partisanship." While the whole scope and function of *THE CHURCH NEWS* is of a very different sort from that of *The Church Standard*, our predecessor has set an example of ability and vigor in Church journalism to which we may at least aspire, even if we cannot attain.

The Bishop spoke several times of the Diocesan House, which has now become one of the monuments of his administration. He had a word to say on the dangers connected with too much organization and too many societies. A certain amount of paternal government seems to be implied in the very constitution of the Church. There are times when

maternal government is not altogether without defense. But when the administration of the parochial family is undertaken by sons and daughters, and men-servants and maid-servants, and even the ox and the ass that graze in the out-lying pastures take a share, there is danger lest the proper equilibrium should be disturbed. When, in 1893, the country was threatened with an invasion of cholera from European ports, he dwelt at length, and with the greatest vigor, upon that singular apathy in matters connected with the public health which for so many years gave to Philadelphia an unenviable pre-eminence among all the cities of the land. He was not only a leader of the Church. He recognized that his office laid upon him responsibilities and obligations that brought him into close touch with every civic interest. He died in 1911, full of years and honors.

Of recent years, it is not yet time that they need to be described in any detail. In 1902 Dr. Alexander Mackay-Smith was elected Bishop Coadjutor, and survived Bishop Whitaker only by nine months. Frederick W. Robertson has a sermon entitled—"The Duty of the Church towards Men of Wealth." Bishop Mackay-Smith in his own life showed the converse of this, and was a conspicuous example of the duty of men of wealth towards the Church. But his many benefactions, public and private, were but a small matter compared with the giving of his life, which, in the most literal sense, he offered for the Diocese. Almost his last act was the laying aside of the honor which he was so well fitted to wear, that his own weakness might not stand in the way of the Church's progress. With the consecration of Bishops Rhinelander and Garland the Church in Pennsylvania entered upon a new era. We confidently believe that the traditions which are now in the making will not suffer by comparison with the noble traditions of the past.

It is reported that in one city of Southern China all the Buddhist nunneries have been closed by the government authorities. All inmates over thirty years old will be allowed to remain and will be cared for at public expense; those under thirty or over fifteen are to be sold for wives, the price being fixed at \$2.50. Those under fifteen are to be placed in training schools.

MEN'S AUXILIARY NOTES

Strictly speaking, the Men's Auxiliary, in name at least, was legislated out of existence at the Diocesan Convention in May. But this is only a death that is meant to issue in a new resurrection life as a Central Missionary Committee representing every parish in the Diocese. For this month which closes the first year of THE CHURCH NEWS we retain the old title.

There are many figures this time. Examine them closely.

Apportionment due August 31, 1913..	\$157,970.00
Received from Parishes, Sunday-schools, Woman's Auxiliary (to May 1, 1913).....	96,248.51
Received from Parishes, Sunday-schools, Woman's Auxiliary (to May 1, 1912).....	80,063.76
This year ahead of last year, May 1st	16,184.75
This year ahead of last year, April 1st	959.02

The Board reports 27 parishes or missions as having completed or excelled their apportionment, as against 4 parishes reported April 1st. Are you in this list?

	Apportionment	Contributed
Clifton Heights, St. Stephen's	\$57.42	\$58.87
Coatesville, Trinity.....	236.30	350.00
Darby.....	27.62	37.75
Lansdale, Holy Trinity.....	57.98	78.07
Lower Merion, St. John's.....	383.98	409.89
Norristown, All Saints'.....	467.59	553.44
Parkesburg, Ascension.....	45.00	70.00
All Saints', Lower Dublin.....	241.53	603.64
All Souls' (for the Deaf).....	43.67	43.67
Epiphany Sherwood.....	229.31	261.93
Gloria Dei, Southwark.....	851.18	925.97
Holy Apostles.....	6,421.72	9,913.34
Holy Trinity.....	8,041.63	10,025.75
Redemption.....	211.60	341.83
St. Andrew's (Eighth Street)...	958.83	967.06
St. Barnabas', Haddington....	93.73	139.09
St. George's Chapel, Venango	31.12	39.02
St. Martin's-in-the-Field.....	3,184.19	6,858.27
St. Paul's, Aramingo.....	183.43	213.60
St. Stephen's Wissahickon....	47.96	75.00
St. Timothy's, Roxborough....	961.68	1,089.22
Zion.....	389.25	440.85
St. John Evangelist, Essington.....	8.55	166.01
St. Paul's Memorial, Upper Providence.....	54.42	86.81
St. Mary's, Warwick.....	16.20	21.61
St. Paul's, West Whiteland....	52.45	55.78
All Saints', Wynnewood.....	30.89	58.85

All parish treasurers are urged to forward contributions promptly month by month at least, to George Gordon King, Treasurer, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York. Last year it is on record that somebody went off on an extended vacation and left a fat offering in the safe, tied up in a napkin. This year we want every one to enjoy his vacation with a good conscience.

If you have not completed your quota, please make a valiant effort now before midsummer heat paralyses energy. Don't leave it for the Bishops and a small staff to fire the furnaces under forced draught in August when the ship ought to be in dry dock getting overhauled for another year's steady sailing.

And if by God's blessing you have done what was required of you, don't think that you are compelled to stop. The Church will be doubly grateful if you will do a little more than the minimum and redress the balance for some weaker brethren who through lack of faith or vision or distressing embarrassment have been unable to do their share in proclaiming the Good News to those that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Finally, a word of hearty thanks to all for every effort, every sacrifice, every work and prayer that has carried the Diocese so far on its way in the extension of the Kingdom.

RECORD OF OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE BISHOPS

[THE CHURCH NEWS is intended in part to present and preserve a record of the life of the Diocese. It has seemed wise, therefore, to include in each number a brief summary of the formal and official acts of the Bishops; just as many parish papers include lists of baptisms, confirmations and the like. There is little superficial attraction about such lists; but there real importance is perhaps greater than that of many other items we publish.—THE EDITORS.]

LAY READERS LICENSED

May 15—J. Vaughan Merrick, B. W. S. Stirling.

POSTULANTS ADMITTED

May 3—Sydney Fleming Chandley.
May 6—David Greer Kilpatrick.
May 13—Stewart Henderson.

CANDIDATE ADMITTED

May 10—Harold Marshall Lufkin.

ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE

May 18—James M. Collins, William Y. Edwards, Ernest J. Harry, Edward G. C. Jones, James M. Niblo, Charles A. Rantz, Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr. By the Bishop.

ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

May 17—Edgar F. Siegfriedt. By the Bishop Suffragan.
May 18—Howard W. Gernand, Joseph S. Rowe. By the Bishop.

CLERGY LICENSED TO OFFICIATE

May 12—Rev. John G. Currier, of Diocese of New Jersey. Licensed until May 1, 1914.
May 13—Rev. Franklin S. Moore, of Diocese of Connecticut. Licensed until May 1, 1914.

CLERGY TRANSFERRED

May 3—Rev. N. D. Van Syckel to Diocese of Milwaukee.

CLERGY RECEIVED

April 23—Rev. Nathaniel B. Groton, from Diocese of New York.
May 3—Rev. Thomas S. Cline, from Diocese of Massachusetts.
May 7—Rev. Francis B. Cannon, from Diocese of Harrisburg.
May 14—Rev. Edgar L. Sanford, from Diocese of Albany.

THE DIVINITY SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

The following program for the combined Commencement and Alumni Day of the Divinity School has been sent out by the Executive officers of the Associate Alumni:

PROGRAM

8.00 a. m. THE HOLY COMMUNION: in the Chapel of the Divinity School.
8.45 a. m. BREAKFAST: in the Refectory.
11.00 a. m. COMMENCEMENT: in the Church of the Atonement, 47th and Kingsessing Ave. (The Rev. Charles W. Shreiner, '11, Rector); Preacher, The Rev. Prof. Loring W. Batten, Ph.D., S.T.D., '87.
1.00 p. m. THE BOARDS' LUNCHEON: in the Refectory; cards of admission required.
2.30 p. m. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATE ALUMNI: in the Memorial Library.
4.30-6.00 p. m. RECEPTION TO THE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS.
6.00 p. m. ALUMNI SUPPER: in the Refectory; cards of admission required.
7.00 p. m. EVENING PRAYER: in the Chapel.
7.30 p. m. READING OF THE ESSAY, FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION: in the Library; Essayist, The Rev. Roland Ringwalt, B.D., '86.

Provision will be made for those members of the Associate Alumni who desire entertainment over night. Alumni living in Philadelphia and vicinity will confer a favor upon the Secretary by indicating to him their willingness to entertain guests.

A TEN YEARS' RECTORSHIP

On the fifth Sunday after Easter, April 27th, the Rev. Norman V. P. Levis observed the fifteenth anniversary of his advancement to the priesthood and the tenth of his rectorship of the Church of the Incarnation.

Mr. Levis' first work was as assistant at St. John's Church, Elizabeth, N. J. From there he went to Christ Church, Westerly, R. I., succeeding Dean Groton, who had just become Professor of Systematic Divinity at our Philadelphia Divinity School. From Westerly Mr. Levis came to his present post, succeeding the Rev. Dr. Newlin, who was made rector emeritus.

The Parish Helper publishes the statistics for these ten years and an extract from Mr. Levis' anniversary sermon, both of which we print herewith.

The statistics for the decade are as follows:

Baptisms 259; confirmations, 342; marriages, 128; burials, 326; celebrations of the Holy Communion, 575; services, 2,300; sermons and addresses, 1,385; pastoral visits, 7,400.

Total receipts for all objects, \$168,000, expended as follows (approximate):

Current expenses, \$90,000.

Endowments, \$12,000.

Improvements and additions to property, \$34,000.

For missionary and charitable work within and without the parish, \$32,000.

The following is a statement showing the amount contributed by the Sunday-school to the Lenten Offering for Missions for the years 1903 to 1913 inclusive.

1903.....	\$200.54
1904.....	653.38
1905.....	719.35
1906.....	1,004.63
1907.....	787.83
1908.....	876.49
1909.....	753.54
1910.....	550.00
1911.....	683.97
1912.....	461.12
1913.....	500.00
	\$7,190.85

From the Rector's Tenth Anniversary Sermon

"It will be of interest on this occasion to note some of the things you have accomplished during these ten years.

"This beautiful organ was erected to commemorate the ministry of Rev. Dr.

Newlin, and the chancel was altered and extended for its accommodation.

"The entire church has been renovated, re-decorated, and put in good repair. The aisles have been tiled, and the choir and sanctuary floors laid in marble.

"A memorial book was given for the altar, and new memorial prayer books and hymnals for use in the chancel.

"A new Bible was given for the lectern as a memorial for departed members of the Missionary Guild.

"New hymnals with music have twice been given for the choir.

"A new set of altar hangings was given, and embroidered by some of the ladies.

"A brass tablet has been placed in the church as a memorial to Rev. Dr. Newlin.

"A memorial Litany desk has been given, and a memorial silver alms basin.

"Several sets of vestments for the clergy have been presented, also new vestments for the choir and auxiliary choir.

"The brass rods and curtains were placed at the rear of the church, and a marble floor added to the baptistry.

"Four stained glass memorial windows have been placed in the church, all made by the famous Hardman & Co., of England.

"During the past year the parish house was altered and enlarged, giving us the needed accommodations for our entertainments and parish work.

"We are reminded, however, that the things which are seen are temporal, and the things which are not seen are eternal. The real achievements of the church cannot be reviewed in statistics, and the fruits of the Spirit are manifested in the lives of the faithful, who grow day by day into the likeness of the Son of God."

THE DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING COMMISSION

The recent Convention of the Diocese authorized the appointment of a Diocesan Church Building Commission. The purpose of this commission is to hold itself in readiness to advise with parishes contemplating new buildings or alterations in old buildings; and to bring to bear upon the problems involved the skill and taste of distinguished architects. It is of course entirely at the discretion of vestries and building committees to decide whether or not they desire such expert advice and assistance; but it is hoped that the mere fact that such a commission is in existence

and ready to be called upon, may lead in many cases to a consultation. The advice of such a commission cannot fail to promote materially the beauty of our church buildings.

The Philadelphia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects has appointed a strong and representative committee to cooperate as experts with the Diocesan Commission. And the following correspondence may in this connection be of interest to our readers:

May 5, 1913.

Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander,
Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,
251 South Twenty-second Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

The Special Committee appointed to represent the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects to advise, if desired, with the Diocesan Committee, begs to state on behalf of the Philadelphia Chapter that it views with the greatest interest and satisfaction the movement to establish in the Diocese a commission having for its object the attainment of a higher standard of architecture in church edifices and in the furnishing and embellishment thereof, and in expressing this approval the Chapter tenders such aid as it may be able to render for the accomplishment of the purpose in view.

On behalf of the Chapter Committee, I beg to remain

Yours very respectfully,
HORACE WELLS SELLERS,
Chairman.

Committee:

C. L. Borie, Jr.
Allen Evans
Edmund C. Evans
Alfred Hoyt Granger
Warren P. Laird
John P. B. Sinkler
Walter H. Thomas
Frank R. Watson
Horace Wells Sellers

May 9, 1913.

MY DEAR MR. SELLERS:

Thank you very heartily for your letter of May 5th indicating the approval of the American Institute of Architects of Philadelphia, of the Diocesan Commission on Church Building. It was approved by our Convention just convened.

I am most grateful to the Institute, and am sure that the very able and representative Committee which it has appointed will be of the greatest service to us in this important work. With high regards, believe me

Faithfully yours,
Philip M. Rhinelander.
Bishop of Pennsylvania.

It is said that within the last twelve months nearly one thousand young women from central and southern Europe have been brought to the United States under Mormon direction.

WORK OF THE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY

Another year has passed in our work of spreading the knowledge which will make us really "missionary:" "those sent forth" by Christ.

It was a great pleasure to welcome to our Diocese the Rev. Arthur R. Eray, the Board of Missions' "Educational Secretary," and the Rev. Dr. Bratenahl, Secretary of the Third Missionary Department. A reception was tendered these gentlemen at Mrs. Mitchell's house on Monday, April 21st. They met there fifty-nine parish educational secretaries, or leaders; and told of the definite work they expected us to do in this Diocese. We have in this one Diocese, Mr. Gray said in congratulation, more parish secretaries than there are Dioceses in the whole country.

Dr. Bratenahl spoke of the power of prayer, and pointed out much that each of us could do. Each parish secretary has taken several missionaries in China, and will pray for their work in particular, and endeavor through the summer to get into personal touch with it.

The secretaries, the alumnae and others will be asked to a consecration meeting and corporate communion about October 1st, when the classes will be formed for the year.

Miss Mitchell has a list of recommended books on China; and members are urged to read up extensively on this subject.

Our ideal for a parish secretary was presented in the April number of THE CHURCH NEWS: shall we not try to get every parish into line this next season?

For further particulars and applications for membership in the normal classes please apply to

MRS. J. NICHOLAS MITCHELL,
1505 Spruce Street.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH CLUB

At the annual meeting of the Church Club of Philadelphia, held Monday evening, May 12, 1913, the following officers for the ensuing year and committee members were elected:

President: John J. Collier.

Vice-Presidents: R. Francis Wood, Samuel F. Houston.

Recording Secretary: George R. Bower.

Assistant Recording Secretary: H. Robert Bell.

Corresponding Secretary: John N.

Frazier.

Treasurer: John V. Martin.

Board of Governors (term expiring 1917): Frederick H. Bendig, Jr., W. C. Kent, Louis Barcroft Runk, J. Conyngham Stevens.

Committee on Admission: Geo. W. Jacobs, Chairman; William R. Chapman, W. Morris Tilden, Harry G. Tyson, John S. Muckle, Arthur E. Newbold, Jr., Harry W. Powell, Secretary.

The attendance, as prescribed by the by-laws, was confined to the Club members.

Encouraging reports, showing the work of the committees were listened to with much interest.

During the past winter the Church Club has held seven meetings together with an annual dinner, which was very largely attended, and the rolls of the Club show 534 members, the largest in its history.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, the Rev. Samuel H. Bishop, secretary of the American Church Institute for Negroes, made a very interesting and able address, at the conclusion of which a collation was served.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CHURCH CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

GENTLEMEN: Our year closes with a total membership of 534 divided as follows:

Eighty-seven sustaining members who pay \$30.00 per annum, a net loss of 4; 277 contributing members who pay \$10.00 per annum, a net loss of 8; 170 active members who pay \$3.00 per annum, a net gain of 22. The aggregate gain in membership is 10.

MEETINGS DURING THE YEAR

October 21, 1912: Opening Club Night. Address by Rev. Hughell E. W. Fosbroke, D.D., of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., on "Church Work Among College Students."

November 25, 1912: Address by Bishop L. B. Wilson of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on "The Conflict Between Christianity and Mohammedanism in Africa."

January 6, 1913: In charge of General Missions Committee of the Club. Address by Bishop Lloyd, the President of the Board of Missions, on "The Field: Its call and needs." Also an address by Bishop Rhinelander, on "The Apportionment on the Diocese."

January 30, 1913: Annual Dinner at the Hotel Walton. The speakers were: Bishop Biller, of South Dakota; Bishop Garland, Dr. Van Allen, of Boston, and William J. Scheffelin, Esq., of New York City.

February 24, 1913: In charge of the City Missions Committee of the Club. Subject: "Missions to Social Outcasts and to the Underworld." Addresses by Dudley Tyng Upjohn, of the All-Night Mission in the Bowery, New York City; Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, of the St. Paul's Club, George Long, of the "Inasmuch" Mission, and George C. Boate, of the Galilee Mission.

March 31, 1913: Address by Professor John F. Weir, M.A., N.A., of Yale University. Subject: "St. Francis and the Twentieth Century."

April 28, 1913: Address by Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, Superintendent of Schools of the City of Philadelphia, on "The Bible in the Public Schools."

May 12, 1913: Arrangements have been made at the conclusion of the annual meeting for an address by the Rev. Samuel H. Bishop, Secretary of the American Church Institute for Negroes.

CHURCH CLUB BULLETIN

THE CHURCH NEWS of the Diocese started publication last November. This paper represented the consummation of the wishes of the Church Club for a real Diocesan journal, which it was hoped the publication of the Church Club Bulletin would in time bring about, and the Bulletin was accordingly discontinued.

GENERAL

The One Dollar dinners on the evenings on which addresses are made, have continued under the direction of the House Committee, Mr. Samuel B. Van Dusen, chairman, and are a great convenience to many members of the Club.

BOYS' CLUB

The Annual Report of the Boys' Club again shows a most gratifying gain in membership, from 724 at the close of the previous year to 806 at the close of the current year. During the past three years the Club members have won in competition in athletics seventeen cups, which are now Club property, and two cups which are conditional upon further successful competition, and several trophies in addition.

At a special meeting of the Church Club, on March 14, the construction of a swimming pool was authorized at an approximate cost of \$4,000, which is to be paid for by the members of the Boys' Club, upon the personal guarantee of a member of the Church Club that the Club would be under no financial responsibility therefor. They have raised about \$2,300 and have pledged themselves to raise the amount necessary to cover the entire cost. The pool is practically finished and will be put in service during the month of May. It is of concrete construction, is 70 feet long and 15 feet 6 inches wide, and located in the basement of the Clubhouse under the gymnasium room. The benefits to the boys who will use the pool are inestimable.

The class in Civics has been continued under the direction of Mr. Alfred H. Granger and Mr. Walter Stokes. It has opened up a new line of work that will be very beneficial to the members of the Club. The classes in Mechanical Drawing and Carpentry have also been continued, and are very well attended.

The athletic season has opened with a larger demand upon the ground the Club has been permitted to use in past years. In the wisdom of the Church Club it seemed desirable to disassociate this portion of the Boys' Club work from the Church Club, but the Boys' Club Committee has been working independently to raise funds for the purchase of the required grounds. The need, however, of owning the land, or a portion of it, permanently is imperative, and if it is not secured now, it may soon become impossible to secure it, since building operations in that vicinity are constantly being projected, and no other equally accessible field is available. Of the sum required, there is on deposit with Drexel & Co., \$7,426.00, and the last \$5,000.00 needed has been promised.

The greatest need of the Boys' Club, from point of personal contact with the boys, has been a Resident Superintendent, and after many years of planning we have at length secured one in F. John Romanes, a graduate of Oxford University, who is now living in the building and doing splendid work. Among his first activities has been the organization of a troop of Boys' Scouts, he acting as Scout Master.

The splendid showing of the Boys' Club in all its activities during the past year has been largely due to the work of Mr. David D. Lupton, the Chairman of the

Boys' Club Committee, and the zealous assistance given him by the other members of the Committee.

The Board renews its expression of gratitude to the officers and members of the several committees for the earnest and faithful work done by them, especially to the chairmen of the various committees who continued the valuable services they had performed for the Club the previous year.

The Board takes this occasion to record its deep regret at the loss sustained in the deaths of the following members:

Hunter Brooke, Theodore H. Morris, William S. Price and James Alexander Toole.

JOHN J. COLLIER,
President.

CHURCH CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA TREASURER'S REPORT, MAY 1, 1912, TO APRIL 30, 1912, INCLUSIVE.

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand April 30, 1912.....	\$1,925.56
Dues from Members.....	\$6,013.50
Dividend on Stock.....	200.00
Interest on Deposits.....	38.33
Special Receipts, Rent of Tables.....	\$6.00
Special Receipts, Donations.....	25.00
	31.00
Subscriptions to Annual Banquet.....	732.00
Subscriptions to Monthly Dinners.....	406.14
Contributions to Swimming Pool Fund.....	1,650.00
Contributions to Superintendent's Salary Fund.....	817.00
Loans.....	350.00
	10,237.87
	<u>\$12,163.53</u>

PAYMENTS.	
Rent of Club Rooms in Church House.....	\$900.00
Postage.....	210.08
Cigars.....	102.00
Printing, Stationery and Addressing.....	359.43
Magazines.....	19.60
Repairs.....	54.50
Supplies.....	9.60
Special Payments:	
National Conference	
Church Clubs.....	\$10.00
Honorariums.....	380.00
Hymnal Commission	100.00
Sundries.....	48.50
	538.50
Fitting up Superintendent's Apartments in Boys' Club..	290.31
Catering at Annual Banquet..	740.00
Catering at Monthly Meetings	384.00
Catering at Annual and Special Meetings.....	105.00
Clerical Services, C. F. Lacy.....	\$50.00
Clerical Services, H. R. Bell.....	50.00
	100.00
Printing Church Club Bulletin.	57.00
Christmas Gifts to Employees.	60.00
Loans.....	350.00
Interest on Loan.....	3.05
Account Swimming Pool (Est. \$2,796.00).....	1,350.00
Advanced Boys' Club Account,	4,767.77
	10,400.82
Balance in Bank.....	<u>\$1,762.69</u>

ACCOUNT OF JOHN V. MARTIN, TREASURER OF CHURCH CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE BOYS' CLUB OF THE CHURCH CLUB.

Swimming Pool Contributions.....	\$300.00
General Account Balance.....	1,462.69
	<u>\$1,762.69</u>

RECEIPTS.	
Received from Church Club.....	\$4,767.77
Dues and Locker Rents.....	1,066.95
Sundry Receipts.....	35.14
Guarantee Rent of Farm.....	625.00
	<u>\$6,494.86</u>

PAYMENTS.	
Pennsylvania Railroad, for Rent of Farm.....	\$412.50
Hess-Bright Mfg. Co., for Rent of Farm..	159.50
Salaries of House Employees.....	2,040.00
Salary of Superintendent.....	540.00
Salaries of Instructors and Cost of Supplies.....	1,114.07
Gas.....	310.00
Coal.....	553.25
Electricity.....	154.53
Water Rent.....	12.60
Christmas for Employees.....	15.00
Repairs (Roof, Floor, Painting, Window Guards, etc.).....	1,036.24
Supplies Ordered by Superintendent....	147.17
	<u>\$6,494.86</u>

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of John V. Martin, Treasurer of the Church Club of Philadelphia, and found them to be correct.

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Through the efforts of a church woman in this Diocese sufficient money has been raised to purchase a Cadillac automobile for Bishop Biller, of South Dakota.

The Rev. P. C. Daito, rector of St. John's Church, Tokyo, is at present in this country, soliciting funds for a new church. Mr. Daito is a graduate of the Philadelphia Divinity School, and known personally to many members of this Diocese. His church in Tokyo is in the heart of one of the great centers of Buddhism; and the necessity of a dignified building is particularly great where the Church has to carry on its work under the very shadow of many large and stately temples. Not unnaturally the people of Tokyo measure the value of Christianity and Buddhism by the character of their buildings,—very much on the principle that "the clothes make the man." And at least there is this justification for their point of view: that a fine Church does indicate much interest and self-sacrifice on the part of its people.

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The congregation of St. Ambrose Mission, Howard and Ontario Streets, has just purchased from the McShane Company, of Baltimore, a new bell. This bell is a memorial to the late William Bernard Gilpin, and is inscribed as follows: "To the glory of God and in loving memory of the Rev. William Bernard Gilpin, minister-in-charge of St. Ambrose Mission from 1903 to 1905." Mr. Gilpin labored very earnestly and successfully at St. Ambrose in the days when the mission was struggling for a foothold, and he had the foresight to see—what is now being realized—the wonderful possibilities of development in the neighborhood, at the present time one of the most rapidly growing sections of Philadelphia. On the day on which he took charge, less than ten years ago, there were 43 present in the Sunday-school, and on the Sunday before the memorial to him was put in place, there were 303 present. Mr. Gilpin and Bishop Mackay-Smith were far-seeing enough to forecast such a future when they moved the mission to its present location in 1904.

SPECIAL SERVICE AND MEETING OF THE GUILDS OF ACOLYTES AT ST. ALBAN'S, OLNEY

The movement recently inaugurated, for the deepening of the spiritual life and the increasing of the reverence, devotion and sense of responsibility of acolytes and servers at the altar, gained new strength and impetus from a most impressive service held at St. Alban's Church, Olney, on the evening of May 22d.

Although nominally given for the Guild of St. Vincent, the acolytes of about thirty parishes were invited.

Among those represented were the parishes of St. Clement's, Old St. Peter's, St. Chrysostom, St. Bartholomew's, the Ascension, the Transfiguration, the Annunciation, Holy Comforter, West Philadelphia, and Calvary, West Philadelphia, and St. Mary's, West Philadelphia.

The service was the guild service with incense at the Magnificat. The rector, the Rev. Archibald Campbell Knowles, sang the office. The Rev. Charles S. Hutchinson, rector of St. Clement's, preached upon the use of the Sacraments.

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about one hundred and fifty acolytes, mostly young men (vested in scarlet cassocks and lace cottas), whose reverent demeanor throughout spoke much for the spiritual benefit of serving at the altar.

After the service there was an informal reception in the guild house, where refreshments were served and a number of short speeches made. Altogether, the occasion was a notable one and one to be remembered with pleasure and profit.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of THE CHURCH NEWS.

DEAR SIR:

I note your article in CHURCH NEWS on "Rural Work" with a special reference to Bucks County. The work of St. Paul's Parish is of course not rural, but we are a part of this Galilee of the Gentiles, and I desire to call your attention to the fact that there is life and vitality in spots in this desolate wilderness. This not for our laudation but for your encouragement. For the past eighteen months our record of statistical results is this: Baptisms, 65 (15 adults); confirmations, 58; net gain of communicants, 67; marriages, 4; burials, 38. Present number of communicants, 213.

I take pleasure in comparing this with the published record of the last twelve months of St. Luke and the Epiphany: baptisms, 29; confirmations, 57; net gain of communicants, 46; marriages, 18; burials, 54—and note that in eighteen months this little Bucks County church has more results than this city parish with its \$500,000 endowment and 1,348 communicants in twelve months. Just compare the items. We are also doing much good work as a social center. Have a Girl's Friendly of sixty-five members and a Boys' Club of an equal number and our little parish house is in use every night in the week. Do you wonder that I love Bristol and want to speak up for Bucks County.

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ANNIVERSARY OF ST. ASAPH'S, BALA

The Church of St. Asaph, Bala, observes an interesting anniversary, on Sunday, May 25th, too late for any fuller account to be included in this issue of THE CHURCH NEWS. That day is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone. On that occasion the sermon was preached by the Rev. S. D. McConnell, D.D.; and it is more than interesting that Dr. McConnell should be the preacher again on the celebration of the day, twenty-five years later.

In this quarter of a century St. Asaph's has grown in strength and influence. THE CHURCH NEWS extends its hearty congratulations to the Rev. Harrison B. Wright, the rector, and his people; and also to the preacher, Dr. McConnell.

HOUSE OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

The trustees of the House of St. Michael and All Angels, meeting on Wednesday in Holy Week, received reports of a somewhat disquieting withdrawal of support from this unique and valuable institution. St. Michael's is, so far as is known, the only refuge in the country for crippled colored children, and therefore fills a very important place. Through the death or removal of some of its most faithful friends, it is suffering from a gradual diminution of income, although the work done, under the Sisters of St. Margaret, was never more efficient nor beneficent. The trustees are trying, with the advice and cooperation of the Bishop, to enlist new workers in the maintenance of the House. The Mission Chapel of St. Michael and All Angels, which adjoins the House but is a separate work, is making distinct progress under the administration of the Rev. William Henry Barnes.

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The total of treatments reached 72,643. There were 1,400 ward cases and more than 65,000 cases in the out-patient clinic.

The children of the Sunday-school of St. Matthew's Church, Fairbanks, Alaska, who gather their Easter Offering in condensed milk cans, sent to the Church Missions House last month \$580. The Sunday-school numbers only about fifty.

FREE AND OPEN CHURCH ASSOCIATION

The thirty-seventh annual service of the Free and Open Church Association was held on Sunday evening, April 27th, in old Christ Church. The Rev. Dr. G. Woolsey Hodge and the Rev. John A. Goodfellow, the general secretary, represented the Association in the chancel and assisted the Rev. Dr. Washburn, the rector, in the choral Evensong. The Rev. Dr. Wm. T. Manning, rector of Trinity Church, New York City, preached the sermon from I Cor. 12:12, 13. He said in substance the pew system is a different thing from what it used to be. The principles enunciated by the Free and Open Church Association for thirty-seven years have greatly modified it, and in most of the remaining pewed churches the noon-day service is the only one appropriated by the pew-holders. The pew system is out of harmony with the teaching of the New Testament, and, certainly, the Epistle of St. James lends no warrant to the system of personal ownership of pews. The system is also out of harmony with the Social Service agitation of the day which emphasizes the equality of all men as having the same rights in the Heavenly Father's House. Then, too, the system is out of harmony with St. Paul's idea of what the Church

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of Christ is as described in the text. Certainly his idea is that all Christians have union or fellowship in Christ and are, therefore, members one of another. If all are members one of another in Christ, then surely there ought to be no distinction made in God's House between the rich and the poor, and all alike should partake of the accessories of public worship. The doctor spoke of the "inspiration" which a parishioner of his derived from seeing hundreds of people flocking into his church every day in Lent on an equality. The parishioner said, "It seems like heaven." The doctor himself hopes to see the day when all the services in Trinity Church shall be open to all people.

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On April 19th, the Chinese government issued an appeal to all Christian Churches in China that they would make Sunday, April 27th, a day of prayer for the new republic. It was suggested that prayer be offered for the National Assembly of the new government; the President and representatives who are to be selected. Officials throughout the Empire were requested to attend such services and to cooperate in every possible way.

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The Sunday afternoon musical services at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany have been attended by congregations averaging 1,200, which is something very unusual for a church in the older part of the city. On Easter Day there were several hundred who were unable to get into the large church for the carol service, hence it was repeated on Low Sunday, when a number of ancient classics unfamiliar to modern churchgoers were rendered.

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Bishop Spalding of Utah has put forth a pamphlet on "Joseph Smith as a Translator." It is a serious, scholarly discussion bearing upon the authenticity of the Mormon sacred writings. It is the verdict of scholars that the pamphlet demonstrates the fraudulent character of the hieroglyphics employed and explanations made by Joseph Smith. As might have been expected, however, it has made seemingly little impression upon the Mormon people. One of them publishes the statement, "For my part, with Joseph Smith on one side and the scientists on the other, I will take Joseph Smith every time."

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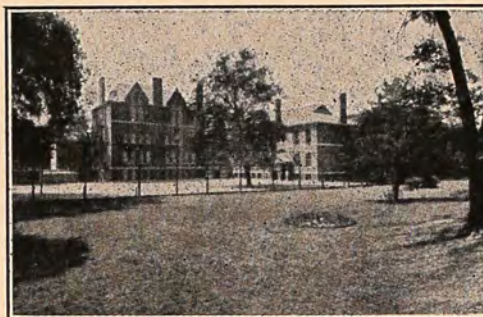
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